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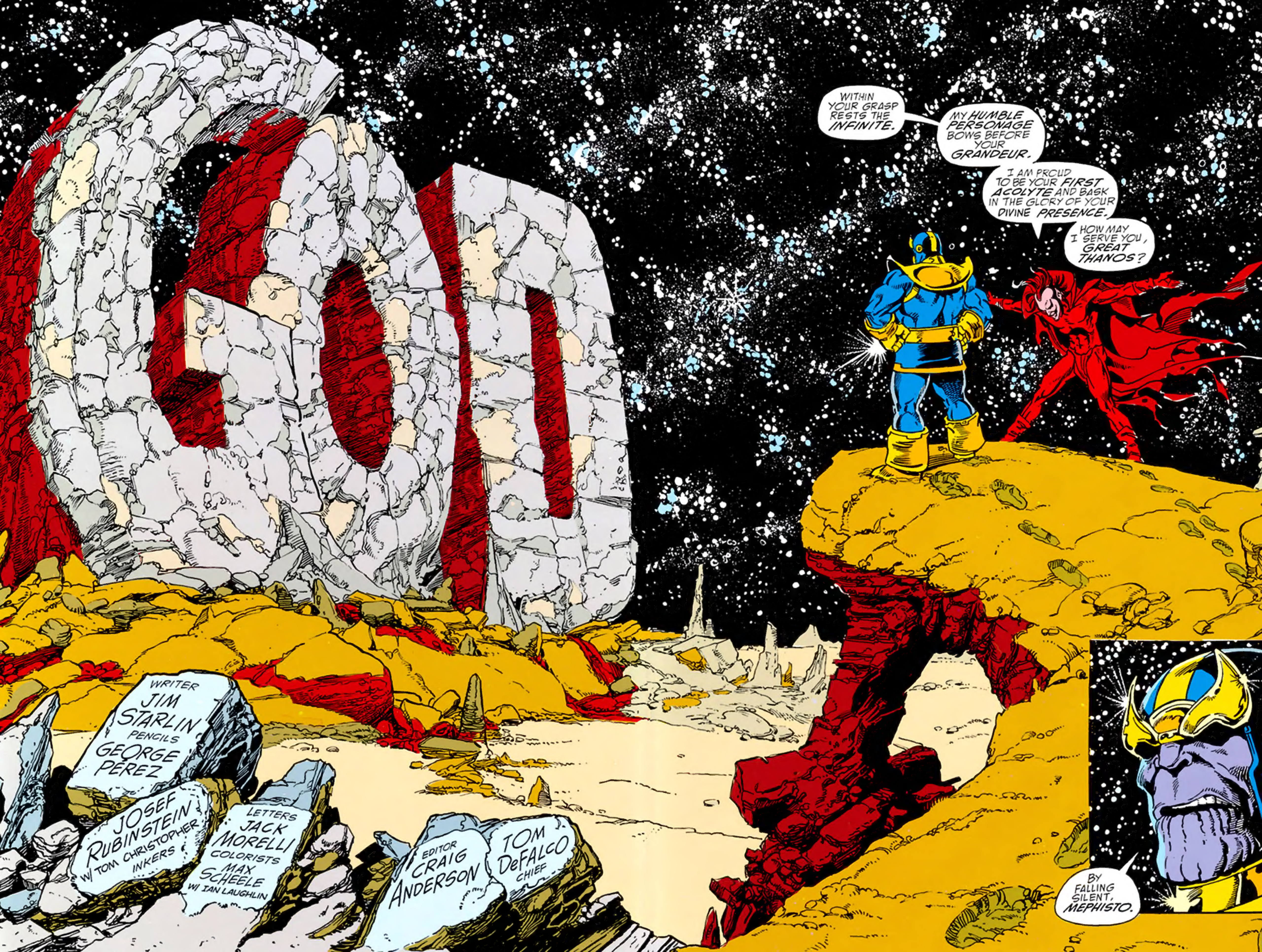
THERE CAN BE
NO DENYING IT:
YOU ARE
SUPREME.

ANYTHING YOU
WISH TO BE,
YOU ARE.

ANYTHING
YOU WISH,
IS.

NOTHING IN
THIS UNIVERSE
DARES CHALLENGE
THAT CLAIM.

THERE BE
ONLY ONE
WORD TO
DESCRIBE
YOU...



WITHIN
YOUR GRASP
RESTS THE
INFINITE.

MY HUMBLE
PERSONAGE
BOWS BEFORE
YOUR
GRANDEUR.

I AM PROUD
TO BE YOUR **FIRST**
ACOLYTE AND BASK
IN THE GLORY OF YOUR
DIVINE PRESENCE.

HOW MAY
I SERVE YOU,
GREAT
THANOS?

BY
FALLING
SILENT,
MEPHISTO.

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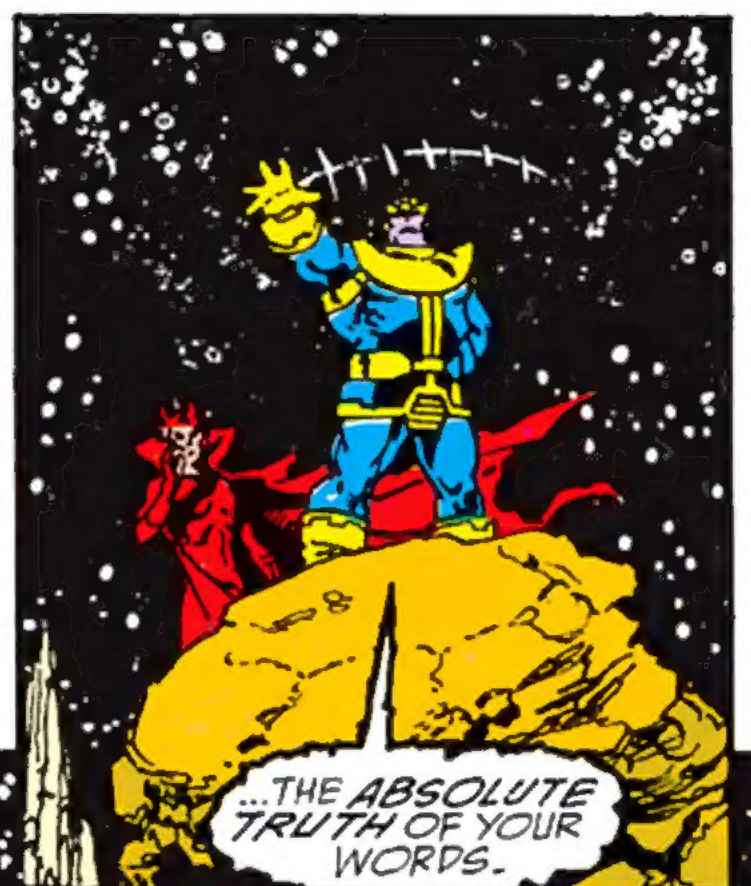
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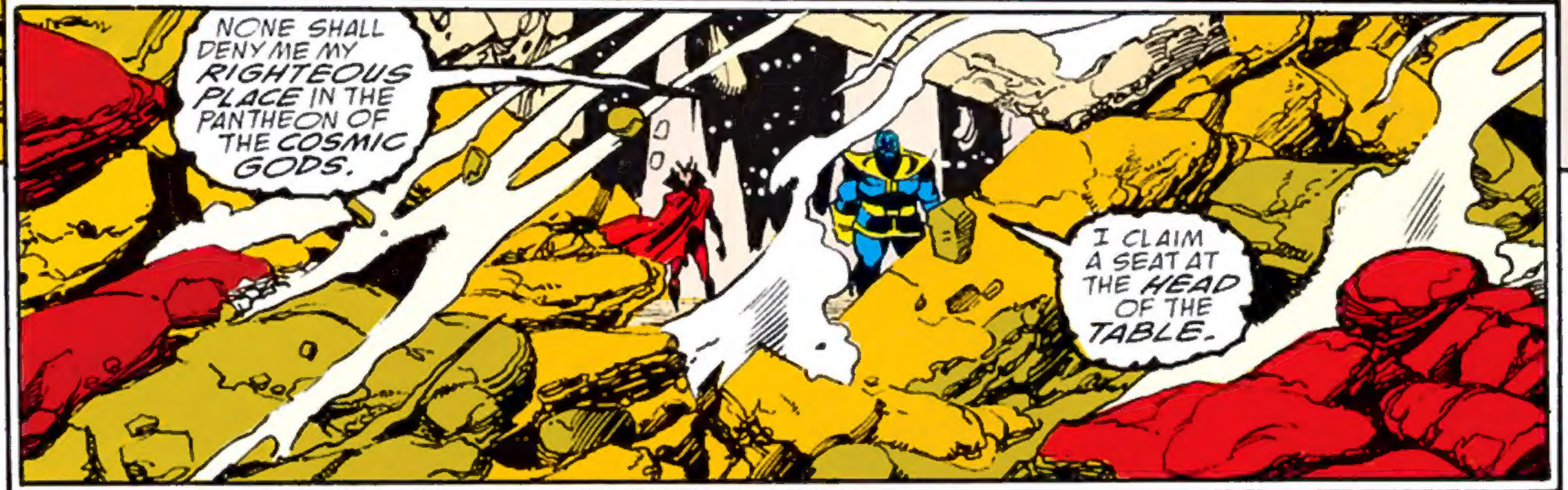
THE MOMENT
IS UPON US...



... WHEN THE
STARS MUST
COME TO
REALIZE...



THE ABSOLUTE
TRUTH OF YOUR
WORDS.



NONE SHALL
DENY ME MY
RIGHTEOUS
PLACE IN THE
PANTHEON OF
THE COSMIC
GODS.

I CLAIM
A SEAT AT
THE HEAD
OF THE
TABLE.

THERE ARE SECRETS HIDDEN
WITHIN THE HEAVENS THAT
EVEN I, THE MASTER
OF THE MYSTIC
ARTS, AM NOT
PRIVY TO.

IT'D BEEN AN UNEVENTFUL
DAY AND MY HOPE WAS THAT
THE NIGHT WOULD BE THE
SAME.

DR. STRANGE
IS BUT A MAGE,
NOT SOME ALL-
KNOWING
DEITY.

ALAS, SUCH GOOD
FORTUNE WAS NOT
TO SHINE ON ME.

I WAS IN THE MIDST OF
A LATE DINNER WHEN I
FIRST BECAME AWARE
OF THE APPROACHING
CRISIS.

WILL YOU BE
GOING OUT
TONIGHT,
MASTER?

ONLY
AS FAR AS MY
MIND AND THIS
BOOK WILL TAKE
ME, WONG.

A MEDICAL
JOURNAL?

ABOUT AN
OUTBREAK
OF INSANITY
IN THE
CATSKILL
MOUNTAINS.

WHAT
CAUSED
THIS
EPIDEMIC?

NO ONE
SEEMS
TO--

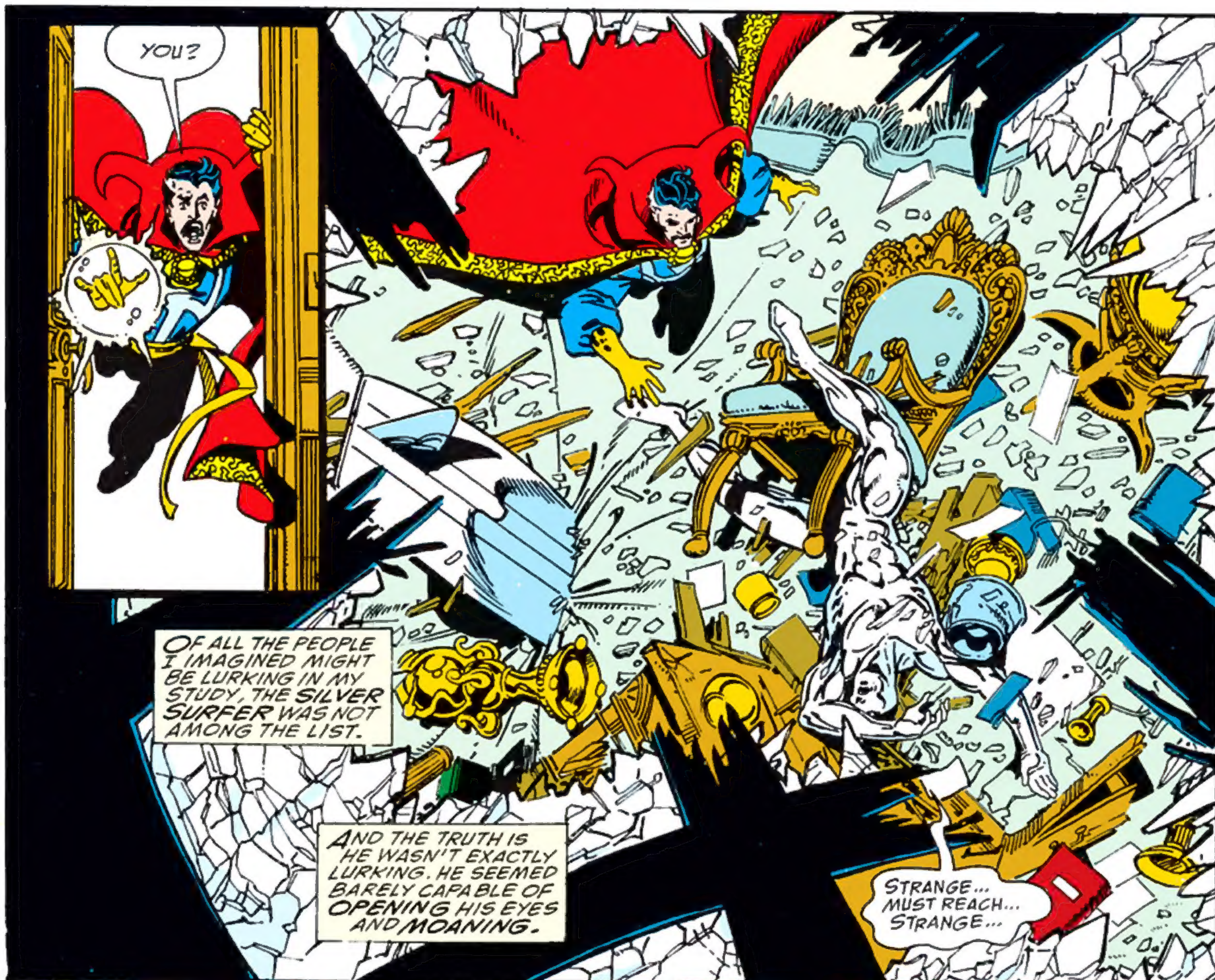
KER-
RAKK

BY THE
VISHANTI!
WHAT WAS
THAT??

MEI AND
RINTRAH
ARE OUT
SHOPPING!

WHICH
MEANS WE
HAVE AN
INTRUDER
ON THE
PREMISES.

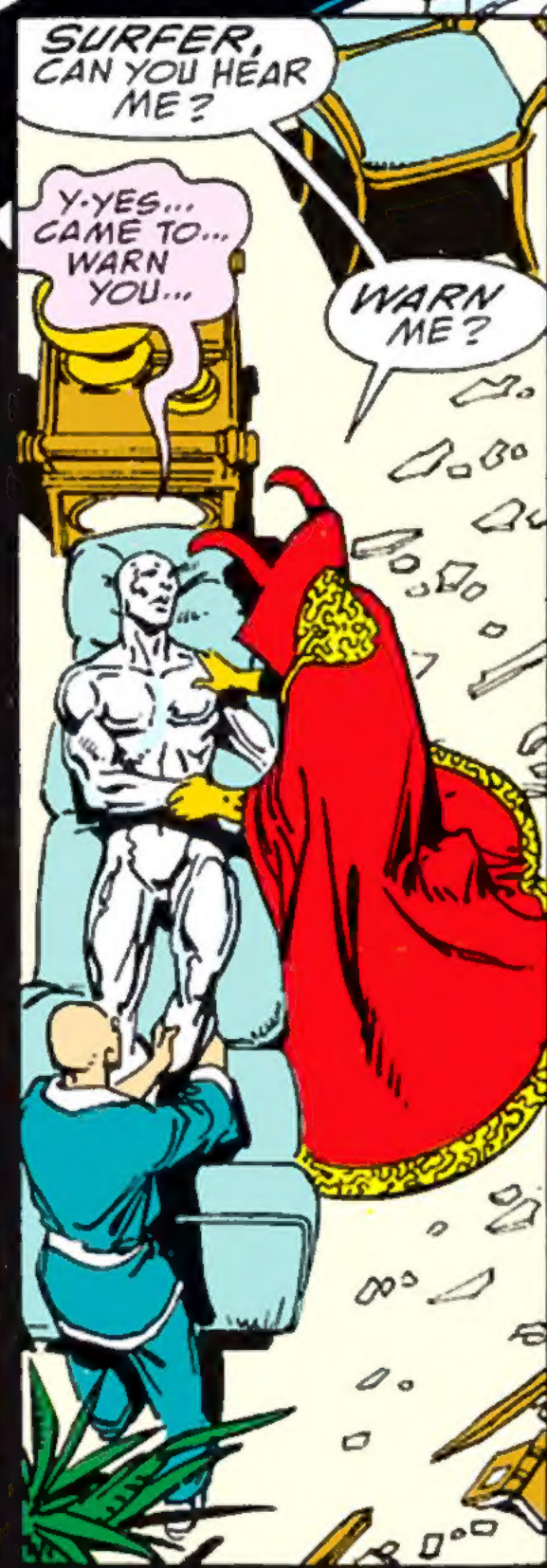
ONE
WHO WILL
SURELY
REGRET
CHOOSING
THIS HOUSE
TO--



OF ALL THE PEOPLE I IMAGINED MIGHT BE LURKING IN MY STUDY, THE SILVER SURFER WAS NOT AMONG THE LIST.

AND THE TRUTH IS HE WASN'T EXACTLY LURKING. HE SEEMED BARELY CAPABLE OF OPENING HIS EYES AND MOANING.

STRANGE... MUST REACH... STRANGE...



I KNOW, YOU THOUGHT HIM DEAD.
HE WAS, BUT HE IS NO LONGER.
HOW COULD ANY OF US KNOW THAT
MISTRESS DEATH WOULD
RESURRECT THIS MONSTER?

APPARENTLY DEATH
HAS LONG THOUGHT
THE FACT THAT THERE
ARE MORE PEOPLE
ALIVE TODAY THAN
HAVE EVER DIED
WAS A TYPE OF
COSMIC
IMBALANCE.

THIS WAS AN IRREGULAR-
ITY SHE SOUGHT TO RIGHT
USING THE DARK POWERS
AT HER DISPOSAL.

AND SO SHE MADE
THE TRAGIC MISTAKE
OF RETRIEVING THANOS,
THE MAD TITAN, FROM THE
REALM OF THE DEAD.

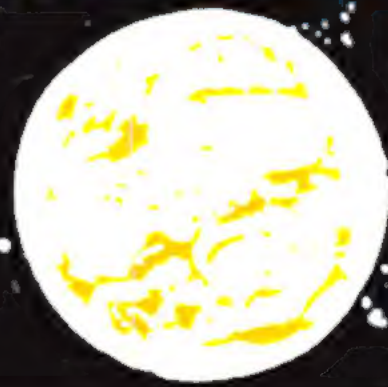
THROUGH HIM, DEATH
WOULD MOLD THE
UNIVERSE TO HER
LIKING.

ALONG WITH RENEWED
LIFE, DEATH GAVE HIM
GREATLY AUGMENTED
POWER.

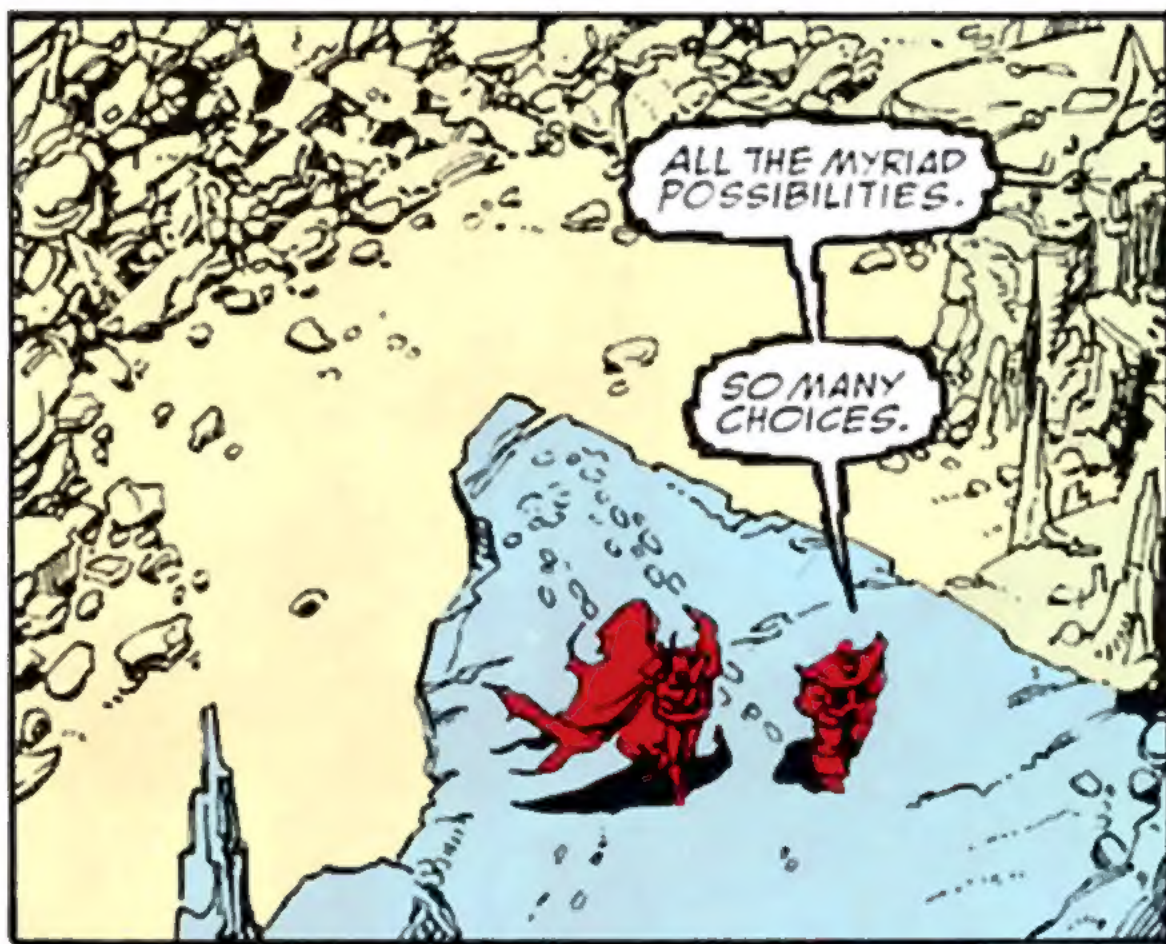
THANOS
WOULD
NEED THIS
MIGHT
TO PERFORM
THE DARK
TASK HIS
MISTRESS
ASSIGNED
HIM.



DEATH
HAS ORDERED
THANOS TO
SLAUGHTER
HALF THE
SENTIENT
POPULATION
OF THE
UNIVERSE!



FOR LONG
MONTHS, MEPHISTO,
I HAVE CONTEMPLATED
THE DIRECTION IN
WHICH I SHOULD
STEER THE DESTINY
OF THIS REALITY.



ALL THE MYRIAD
POSSIBILITIES.

SO MANY
CHOICES.



I DO NOT ENVY
YOU SUCH ASTRAL
BURDENS.

AT TIMES IT SEEMED I
WOULD DROWN UNDER
AN INFINITY OF SELF-
QUESTIONING.

BUT AT LONG
LAST I REALIZE THERE
IS BUT ONE QUESTION
THAT NEEDS ANSWER-
ING.

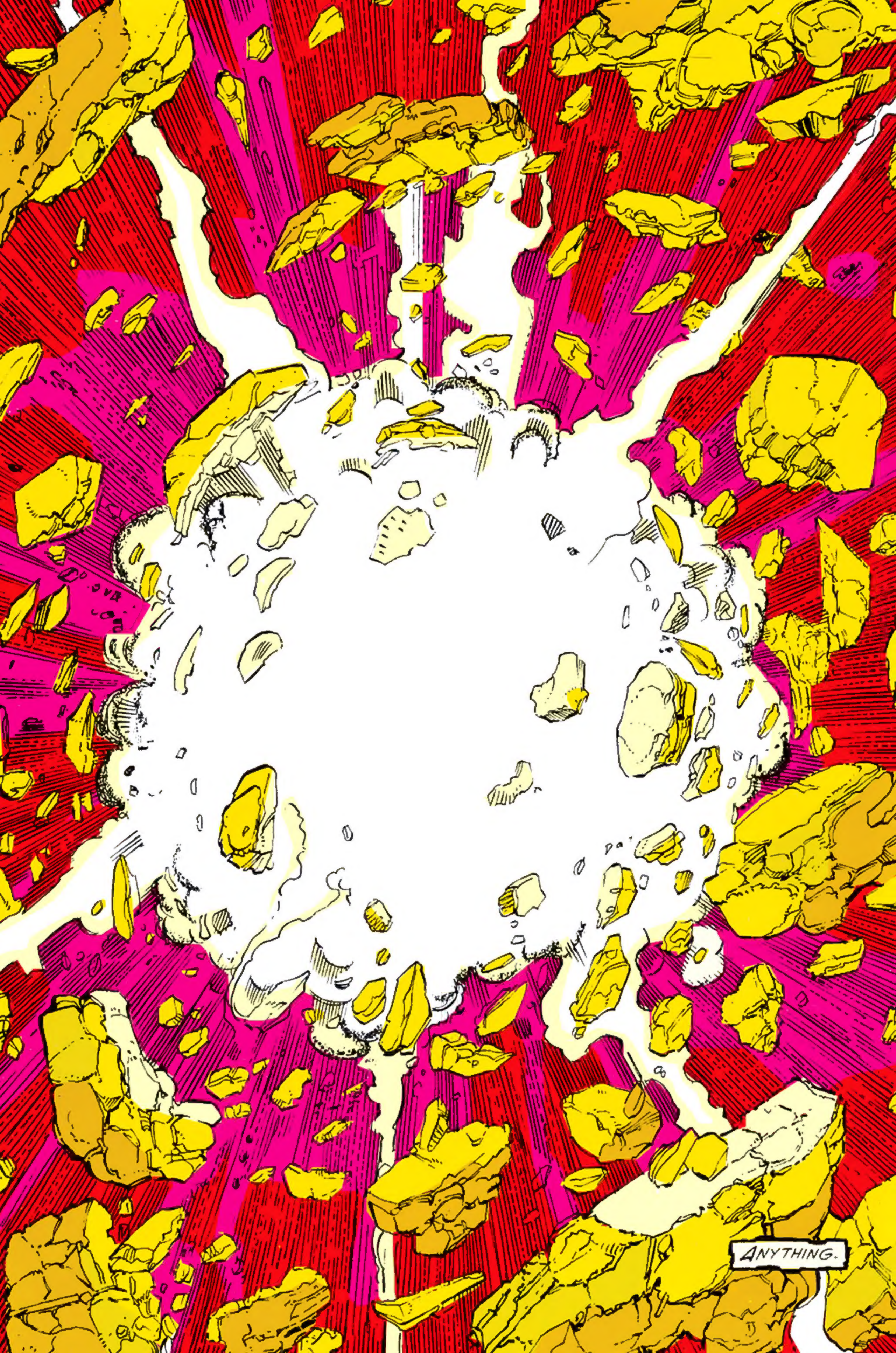
I AM NOW
OMNIP-
OTENT.

WHAT
SHOULD I
DO WITH
SUCH
ALMIGHTY
POWER?

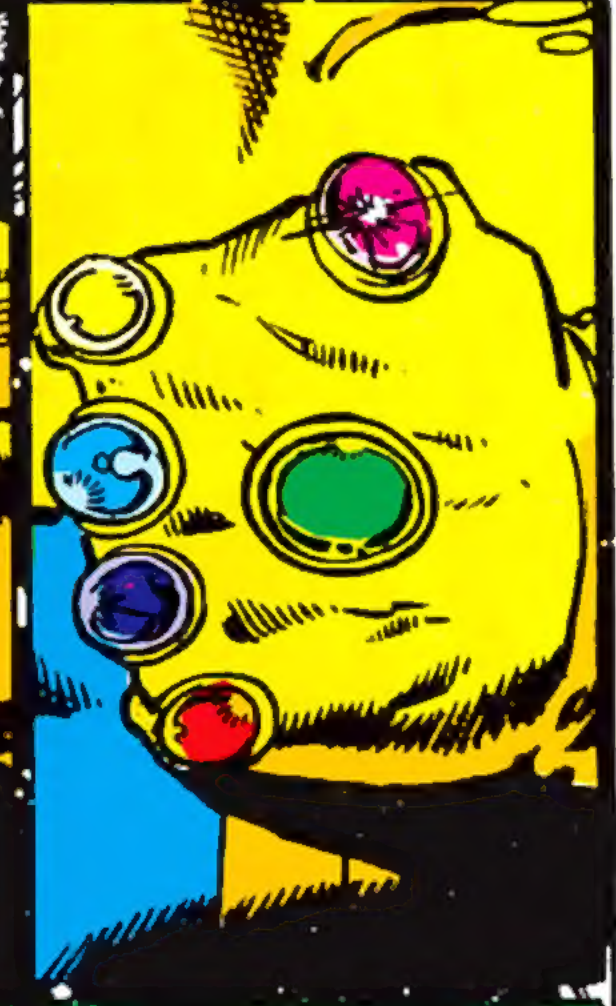
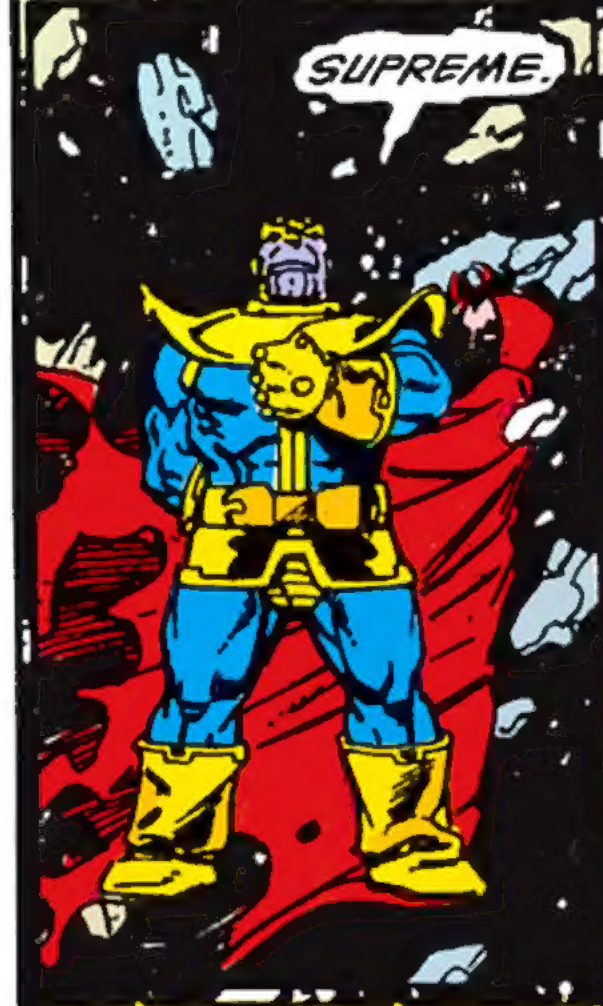
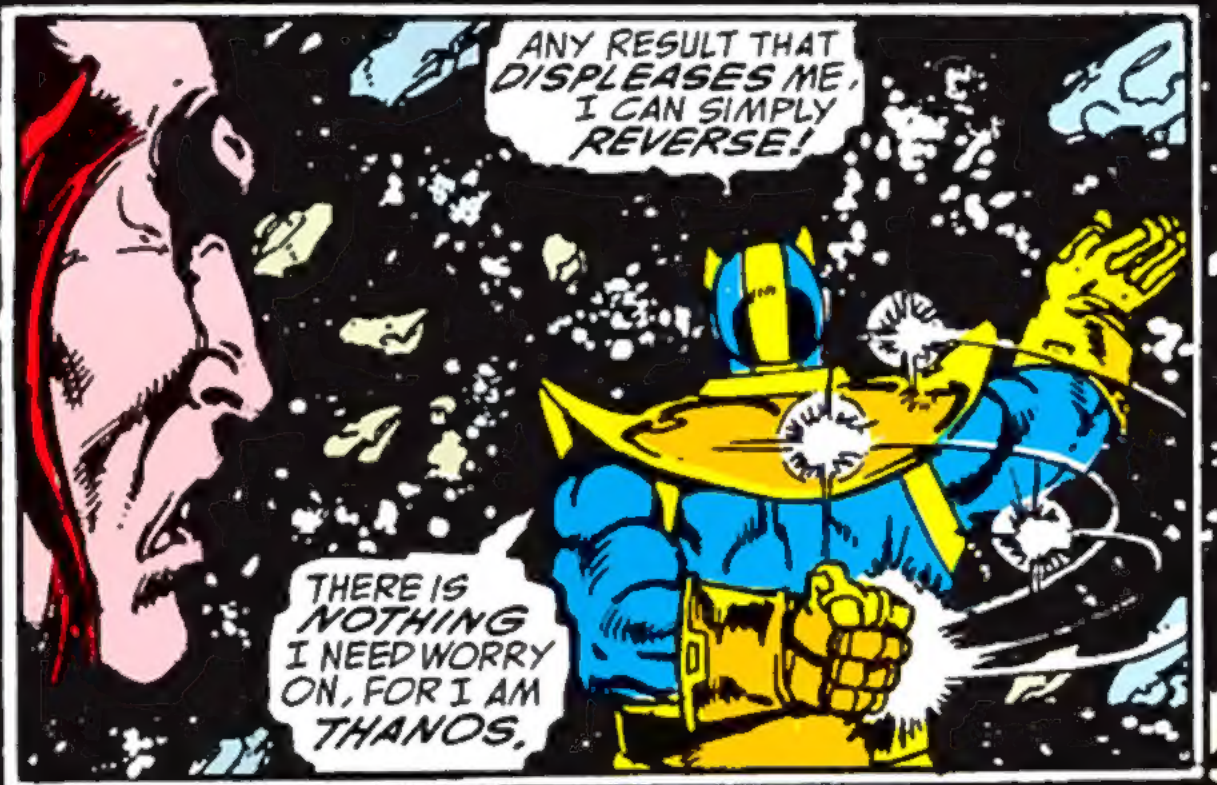
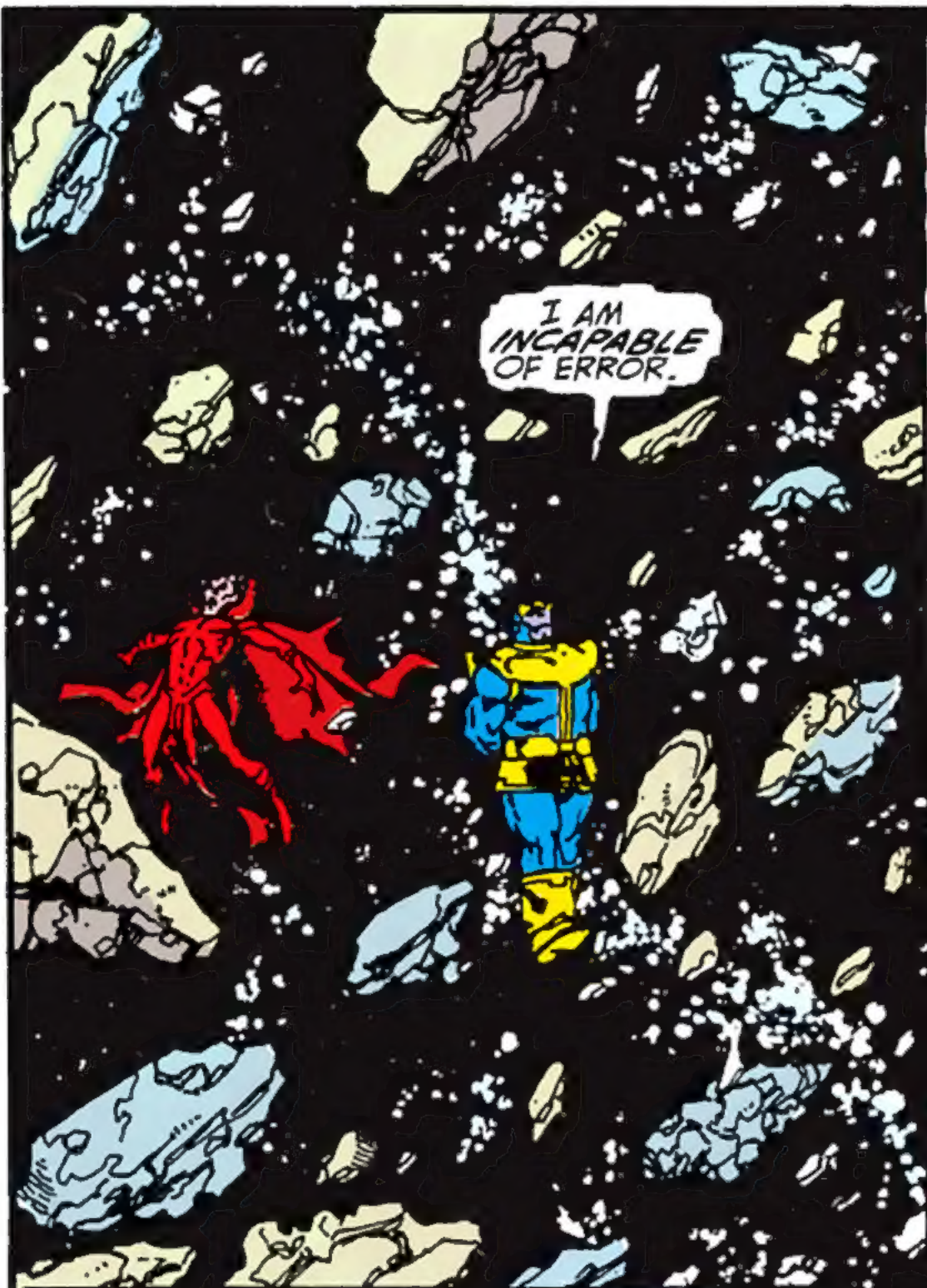
THE
ANSWER
TO THAT--

--IS
REALLY
QUITE
SIMPLE:

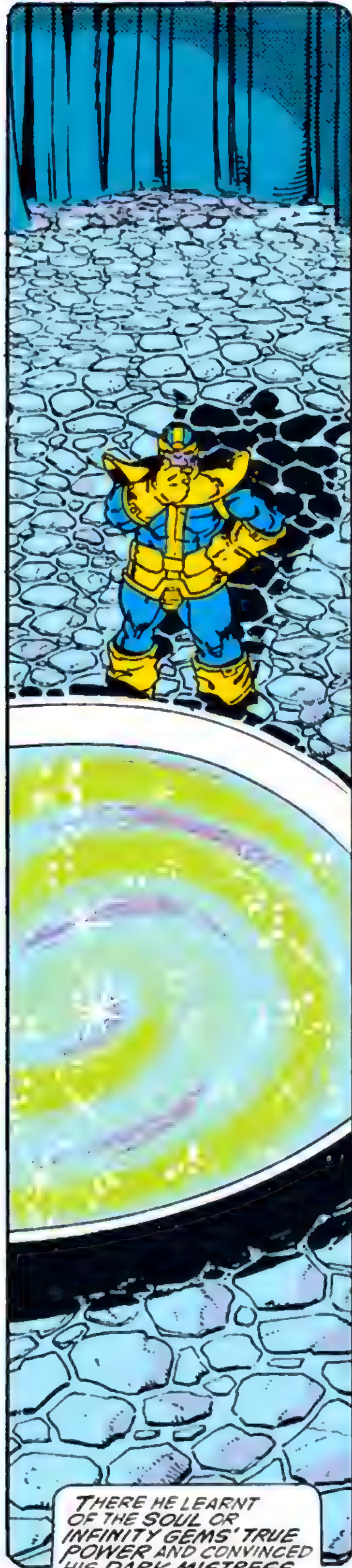
ANYTHING
I WANT.



ANYTHING.

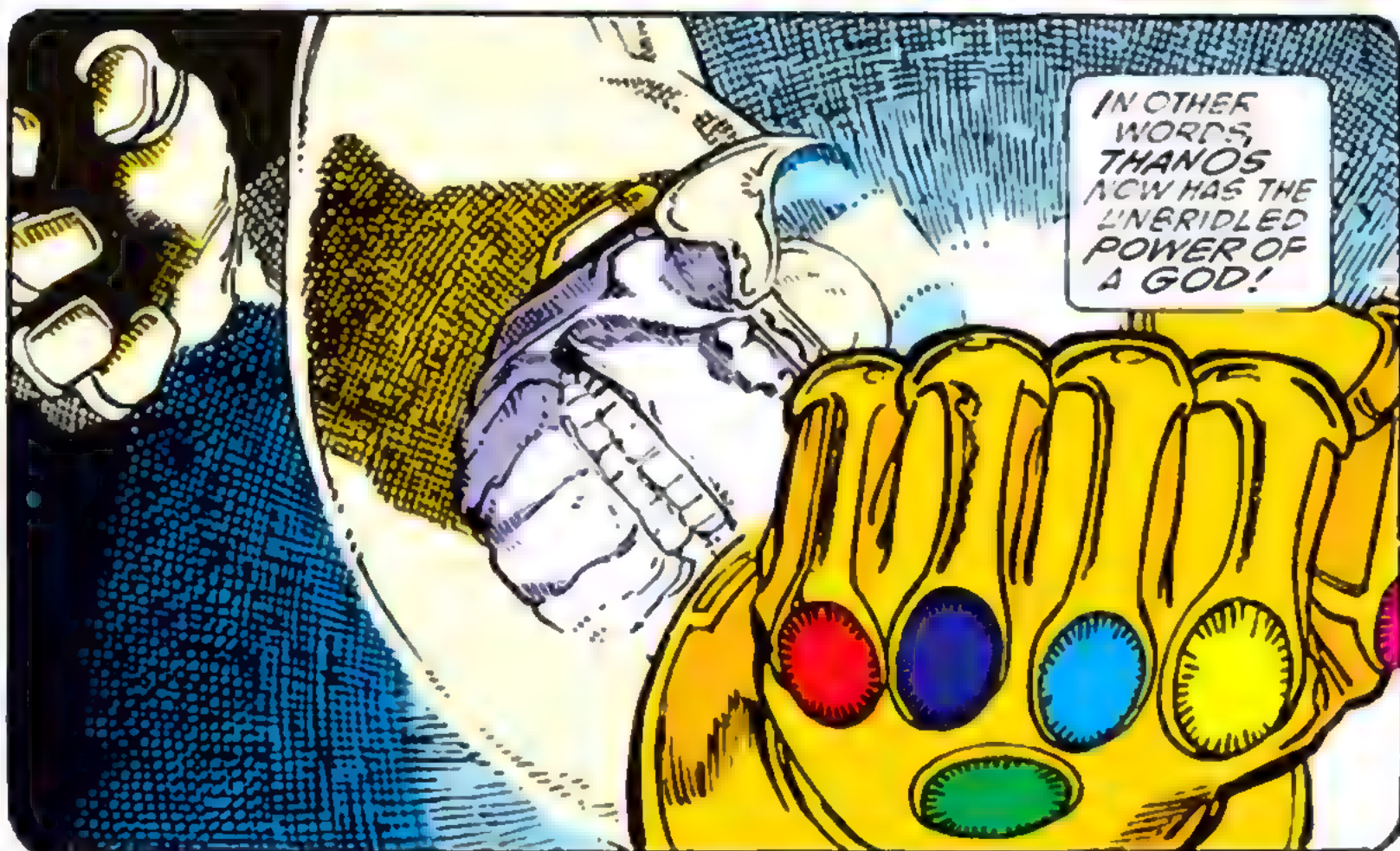
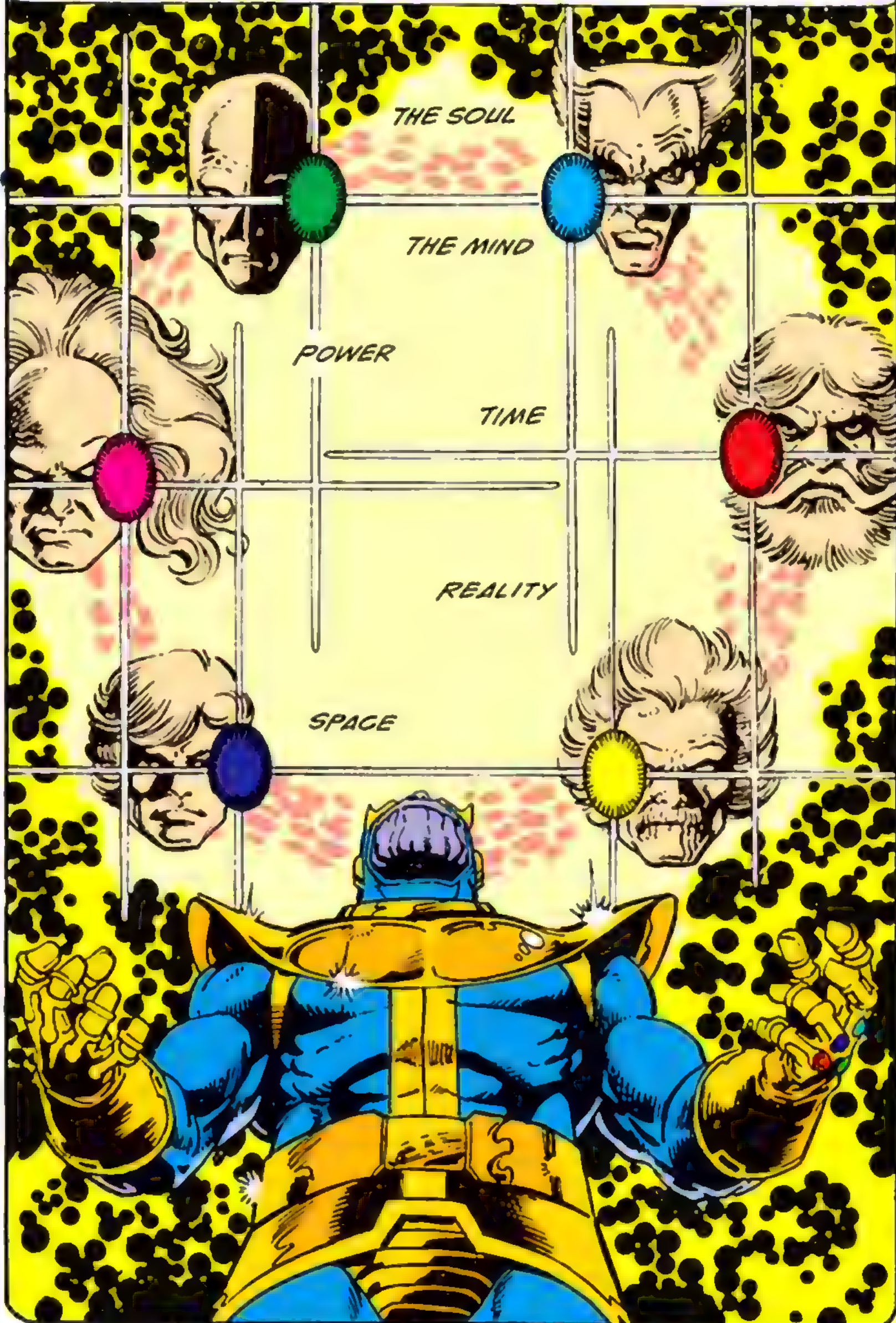


HIS SINISTER SCHEME WAS CONCEIVED WHILE GAZING INTO THE DEPTHS OF DEATH'S INFINITY WELL.

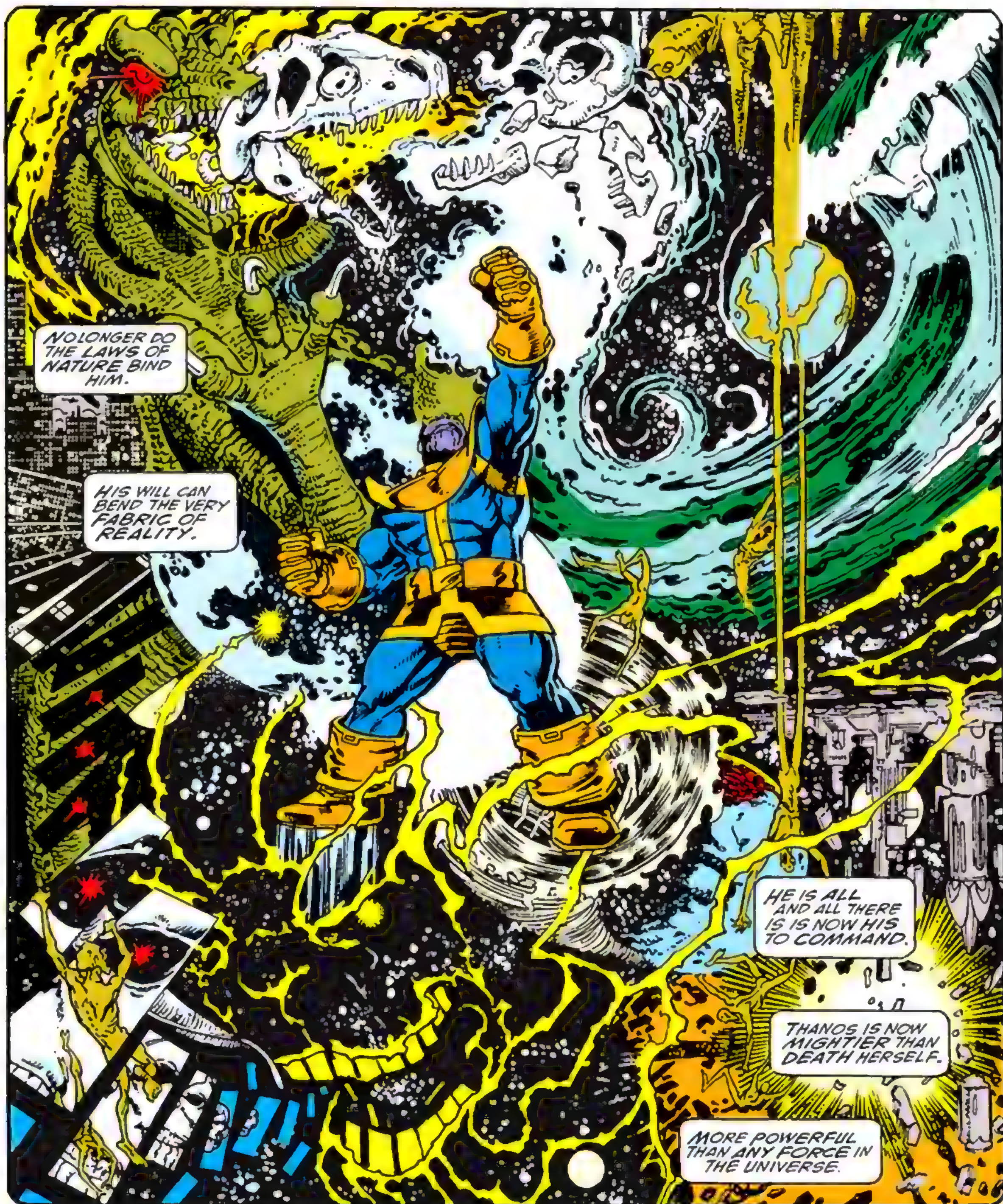


THERE HE LEARNT OF THE SOUL OR INFINITY GEMS' TRUE POWER AND CONVINCED HIS DARK MISTRESS THAT THE TASK ASSIGNED HIM COULD NOT BE CARRIED TO FRUITION WITHOUT THEM.

NOT EVEN DEATH REALIZED WHAT LIMITLESS MIGHT THE MAD TITAN WAS STRIVING FOR. THROUGH CUNNING, SHEER STRENGTH, AND MURDER, THANOS WRESTED THE INFINITY GEMS FROM THOSE THAT POSSESSED THEM AND WITH EACH ACQUISITION HE GAINED MASTERY OVER...



IN OTHER WORDS, THANOS NOW HAS THE UNERIDLED POWER OF A GOD!



NO LONGER DO
THE LAWS OF
NATURE BIND
HIM.

HIS WILL CAN
BEND THE VERY
FABRIC OF
REALITY.

HE IS ALL
AND ALL THERE
IS IS NOW HIS
TO COMMAND.

THANOS IS NOW
MIGHTIER THAN
DEATH HERSELF.

MORE POWERFUL
THAN ANY FORCE IN
THE UNIVERSE.



SUCH A
FORCE IN
THE HANDS
OF A
MADMAN.

A NIHILIST.

IT COULD
MEAN THE
END OF
ALL THAT
IS.

THEY WERE ALL
GRADE-A
LOSERS.

WE FIRST BECAME AWARE OF THEM
AS THEY STEPPED OUT OF A BAR
IN SOMEPLACE CALLED UPSTATE
NEW YORK...

WE'RE
HOT!

NATURALLY
THEY WERE
TANKED TO
THE GILLS.

WE SHOULD
GOT OUTTA
HERE HOURS
AGO!

TOW
AWAY
ZONE

THE RINGLEADER WAS A COLD-
EYED BRUTE CALLED JAKE
MILLER...

GETTING
PRETTY TIRED
OF YER
ALWAYS
NAGGIN',
FATS.

THE TUB OF LARD WAS RALPH
BUNKER...

SPECIAL
XHIBITION

YA JUST DON'T KNOCK
OFF A LIQUOR STORE,
WASTE THE SHOPKEEPER
AND SPEND THE REST OF THE
DAY IN A BAR!

THE BLONDE BIMBO WENT BY THE
NAME OF BAMBI LONG. CAN
YOU BELIEVE IT?

FATS, YA JUST GOTTA
LEARN TO RELAX AND
ENJOY LIFE! Teehee!

CAN'T
YOU TWO
GET IT THROUGH
YER HEADS
WE GOTTA GET
OUTTA STATE,
MAYBE UP TA
CANADA!

NOW PLAYING:
AT THE LOTUS THEATRE
BB DIAMOND
ABE BROWN
DIRECTOR AYALA
KUNG
FU

WE
ARE.

THE COPS'LL BE
LOOKIN' FER
US ON THE
THRUWAY.

THEN WE TAKE THE
BACK ROADS, NO
SWEAT.

I KNOW
'EM LIKE
THE BACK'A
MY
HAND.

WHAT A JERK
THAT JAKE
WAS.

GUESS THE BIG
LUG FORGOT ABOUT
ONE CERTAIN
CURVE ON THE
BACK OF HIS HAND.

BECAUSE HE DROVE
OFF IT DOING BETTER
THAN 65!

NO ONE
SURVIVED
THE SUDDEN
STOP AT THE
BOTTOM OF
THE CLIFF.

NOT REALIZING THE EXTENT OF THANOS'S NEW MIGHT, A BEING CALLED THE DESTROYER AND I FOOLISHLY CONFRONTED THE TITAN.

IT ALMOST PROVED TO BE A FATAL MIS-CALCULATION ON OUR PART.

WE WERE BUT HELPLESS PUPPETS WITHIN HIS GRASP. HE TOYED WITH US, LAUGHING ALL THE TIME.

MY MUCH-LAUDED COSMIC MIGHT WAS NOTHING COMPARED TO THE POWER THANOS BRANDISHED.

THEN, WHEN HE FINALLY TIRED OF US, THE MAD TITAN USED THE POWER OF THE SOUL GEM...

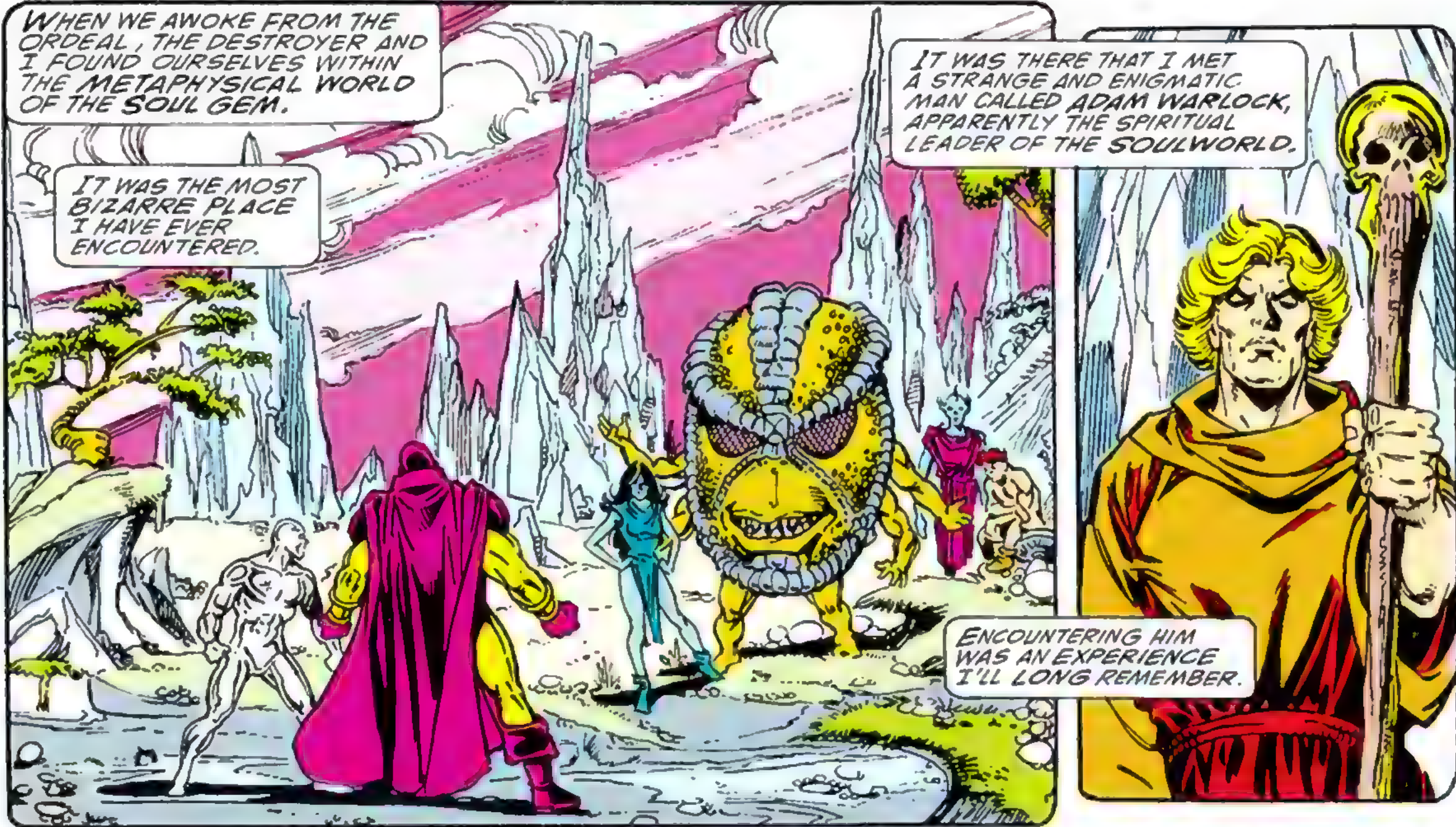
...TO STEAL OUR SPIRITUAL ESSENCE.

WHEN WE AWOKE FROM THE ORDEAL, THE DESTROYER AND I FOUND OURSELVES WITHIN THE METAPHYSICAL WORLD OF THE SOUL GEM.

IT WAS THE MOST BIZARRE PLACE I HAVE EVER ENCOUNTERED.

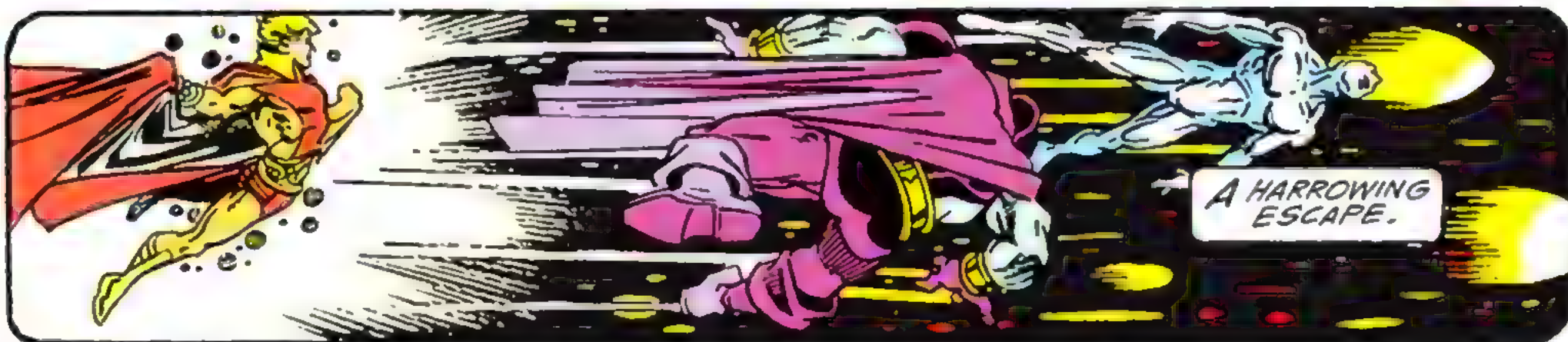
IT WAS THERE THAT I MET A STRANGE AND ENIGMATIC MAN CALLED ADAM WARLOCK, APPARENTLY THE SPIRITUAL LEADER OF THE SOULWORLD.

ENCOUNTERING HIM WAS AN EXPERIENCE I'LL LONG REMEMBER.



IT WAS THROUGH A SPELL CAST BY HIM THAT THE DESTROYER AND I WERE ABLE TO RETURN TO THIS REALITY.

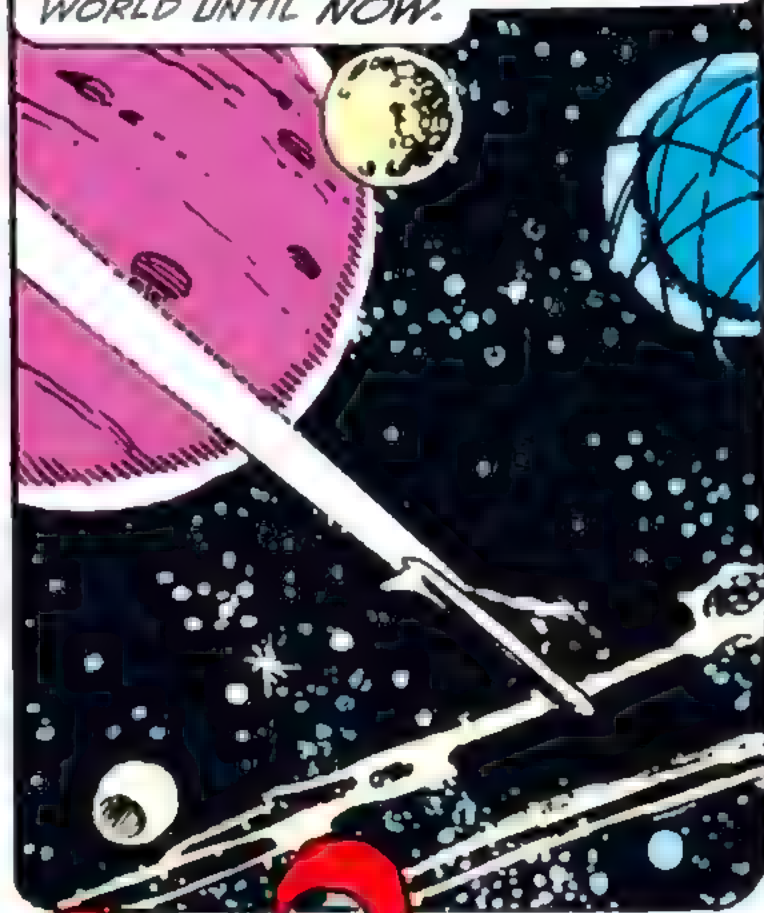
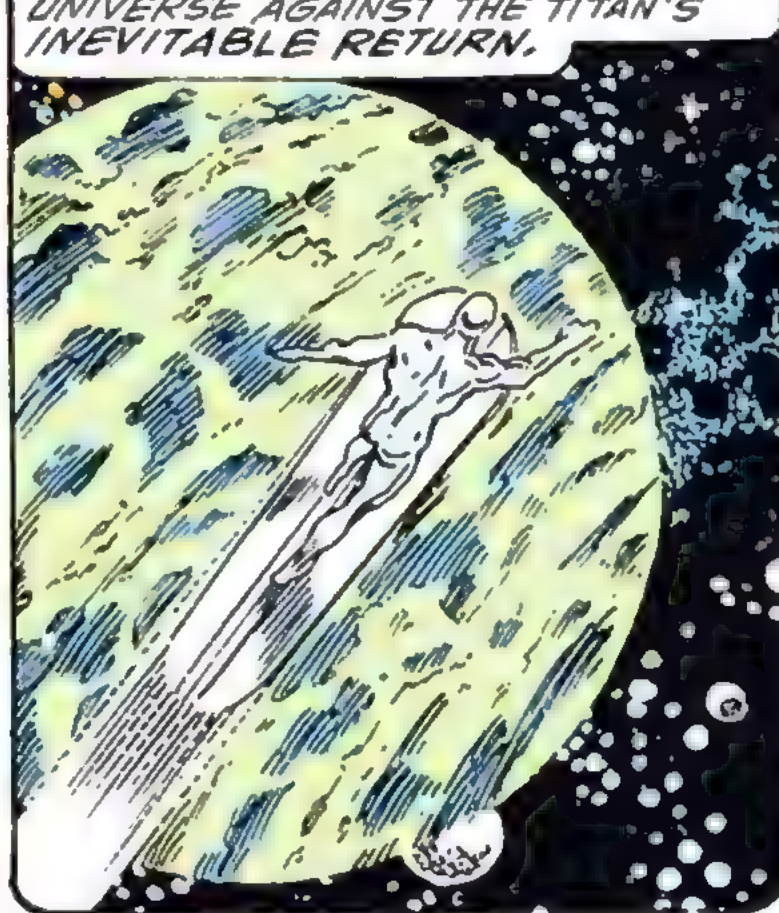
A HARROWING ESCAPE.



BY THE TIME WE REGAINED OUR BODIES, THANOS HAD DEPARTED TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION TO CONSIDER THE BEST USE HE COULD MAKE OF HIS NEW-FOUND DIVINITY.

WE WERE INFORMED OF THIS DEVELOPMENT BY MY LONGTIME ENEMY MEPHISTO, FOR REASONS ALL HIS OWN, AND WARNED THAT WE SHOULD FORTIFY OUR UNIVERSE AGAINST THE TITAN'S INEVITABLE RETURN.

I IMMEDIATELY SET OUT FOR EARTH TO SPREAD THE WORD OF APPROACHING DANGER BUT, UNFORTUNATELY, MANY AN EVENT KEPT ME FROM REACHING THIS WORLD UNTIL NOW.



I PRAY MY WARNING HAS NOT COME TOO LATE.

SO DO I!



I STAND IN AWE OF THANOS'S MIGHT AND HIS ABILITY TO WIELD IT AS IF IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN PART OF HIM.

IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE THE TITAN WHISKS US OFF TO THE HALL OF DEATH, A REALM EVEN I HAVE NEVER DARED TRESPASS IN.

EVEN ULTIMATE POWER DOES NOT MAKE YOU THE MASTER OF ALL YOU SURVEY.

MISTRESS DEATH, MY LOVE, I HAVE RETURNED.

IT IS MY MOST SINCERE HOPE THAT YOU HAVE AT LAST FORGIVEN ME MY DUPLICITY IN GAINING THE INFINITY GEMS.

AND IN A BLINDING FLASH OF EPIPHANY I REALIZE A MOST DISTURBING TRUTH.

IT WOULD APPEAR SHE HASN'T.

MY LORD, MY SYMPATHIES.

YOU ARE NOT DESERVING OF SUCH BRUSQUE TREATMENT.

NO.
I AM NOT.



THE BIG GUY
WAITED UNTIL THE FIRES HAD
COOLED SOME BEFORE
SENDING US IN.



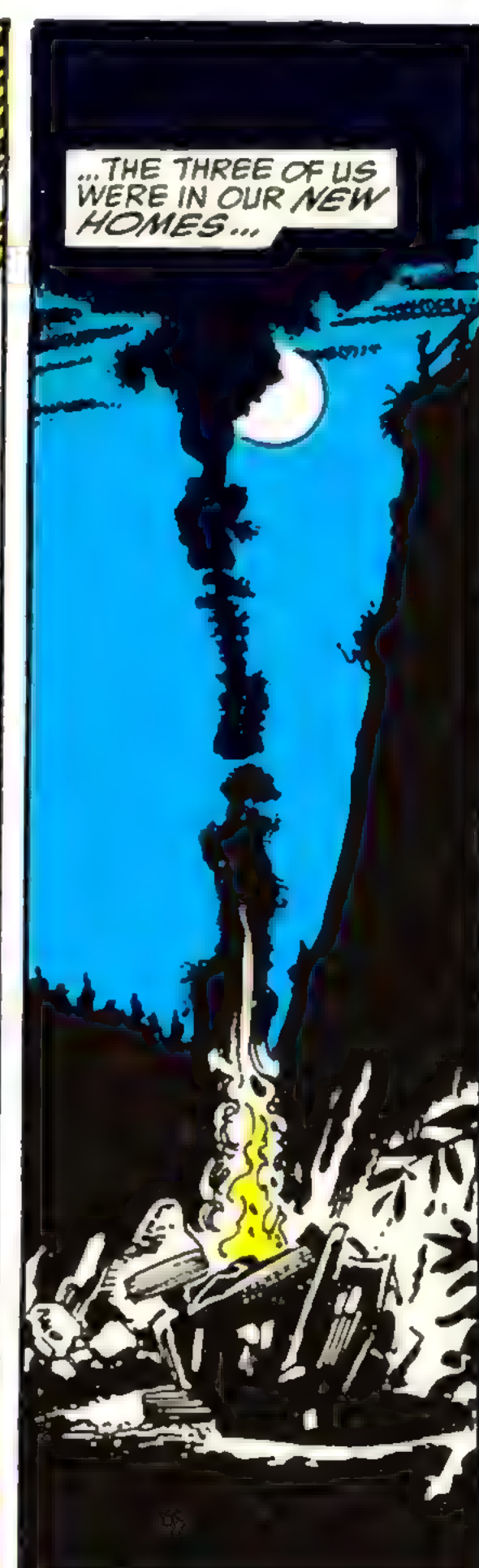
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN
NICE OF HIM TO GIVE
US SOME WARNING
HE WAS MAKING HIS
MOVE.



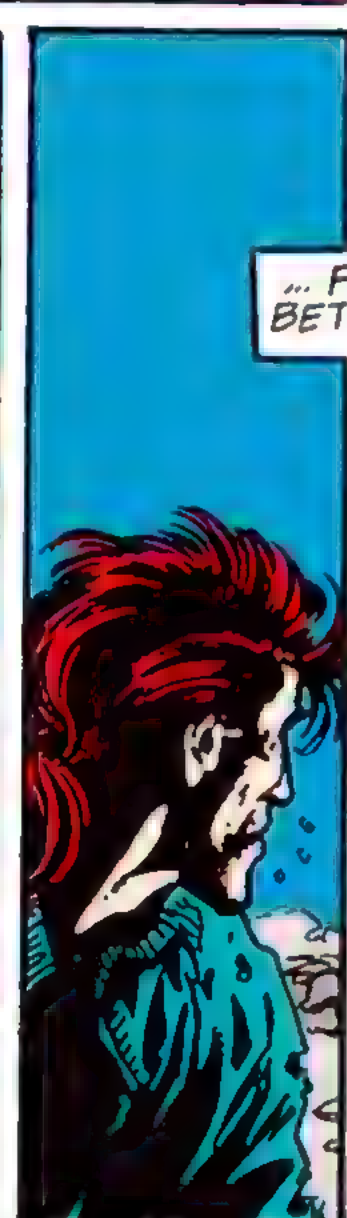
BUT NOOOO...



...THERE
WAS THIS BLINDING
FLASH, A FEEL-
ING OF VERTIGO
AND...



...THE THREE OF US
WERE IN OUR NEW
HOMES...

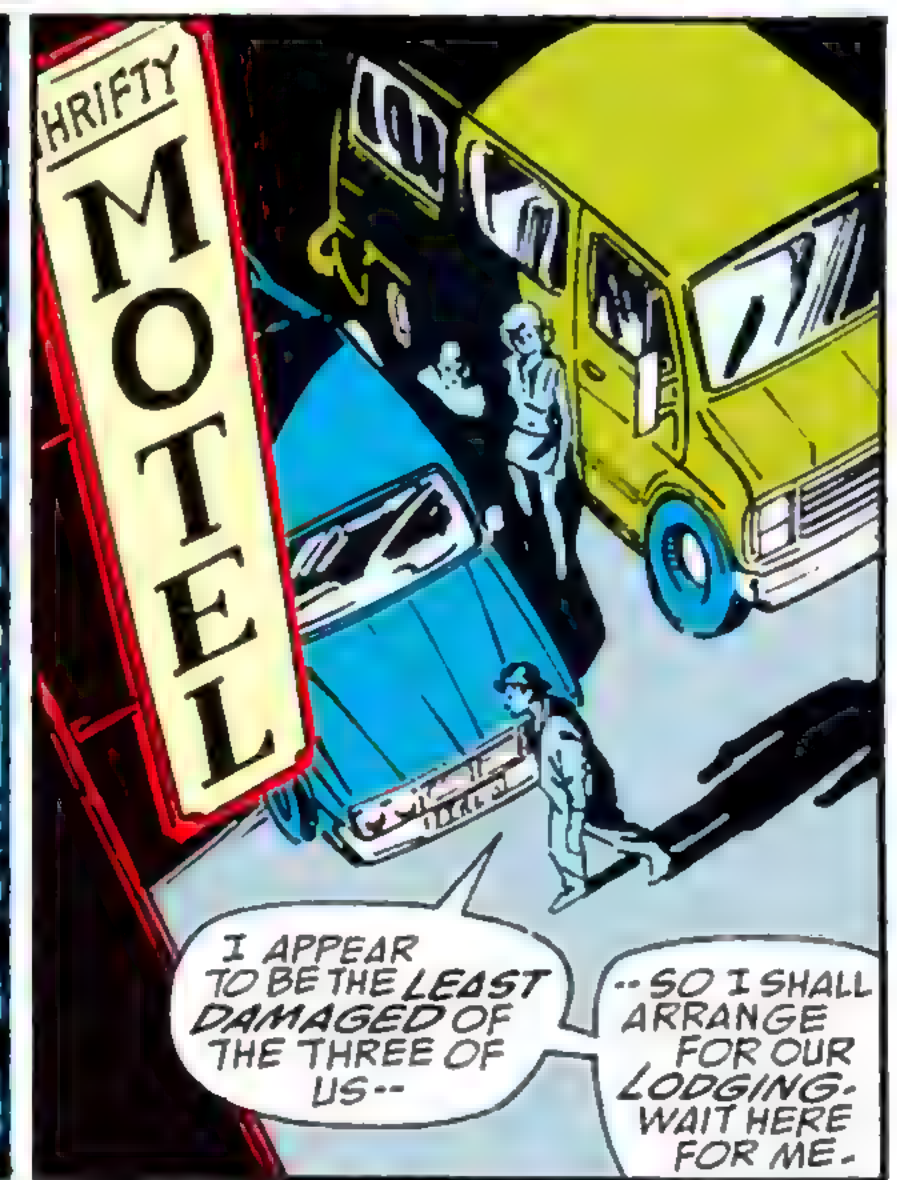


... FOR
BETTER...



...OR
WORSE.

THIS BODY
IS DEAD!





SO MUCH POWER IN THE POSSESSION OF ONE WHO HAS BARELY REACHED THE STATUS OF GODLING.

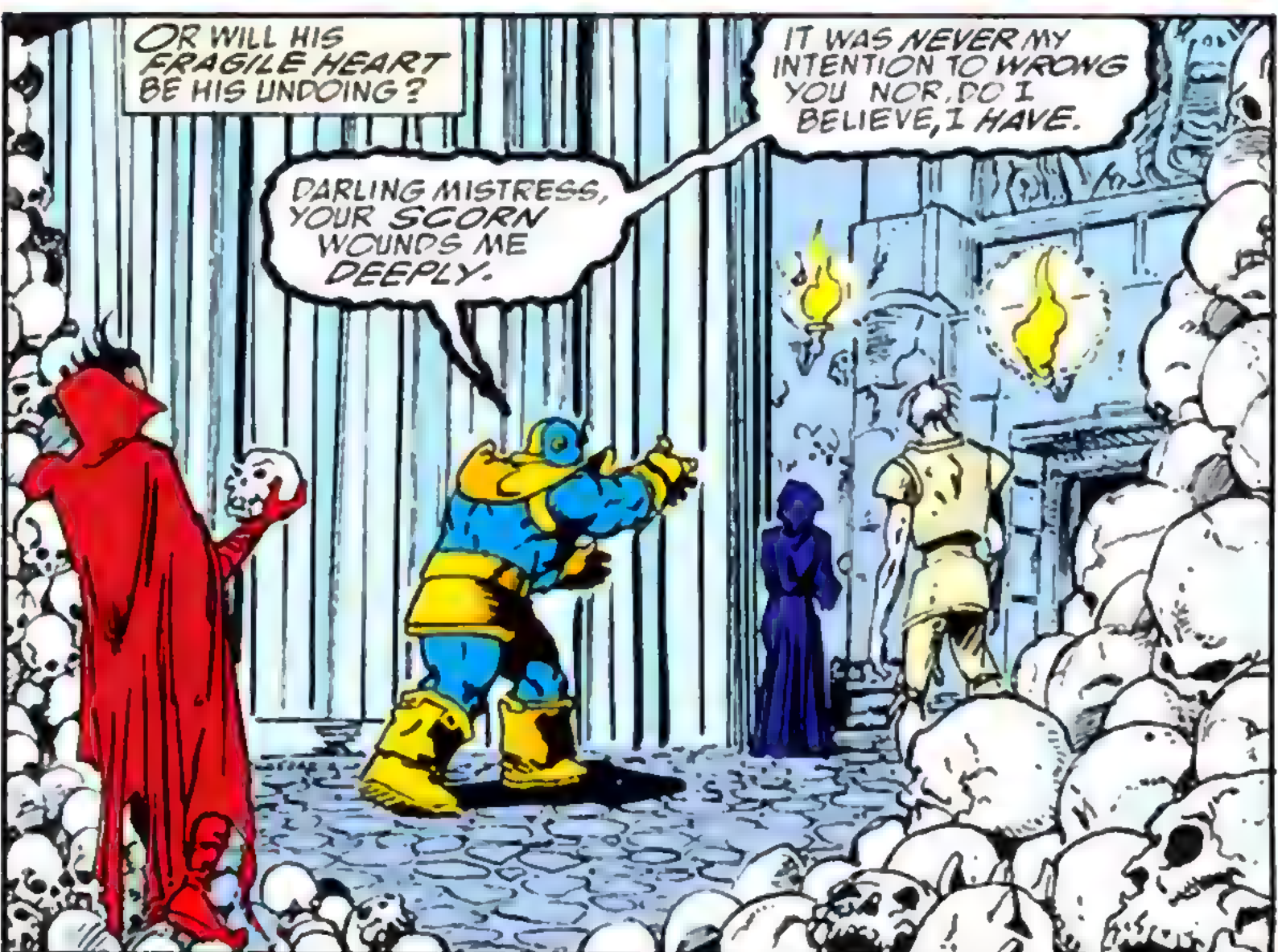
THE VERY THOUGHT BOGGLES THE MIND.



THANOS COULD DESTROY EVEN ME WITH BUT A THOUGHT, YET HIS BASIC SOUL REMAINS ON THE EDGE OF MORTALITY.



IS HE CAPABLE OF MANAGING THE FORCES NOW UNDER HIS COMMAND?



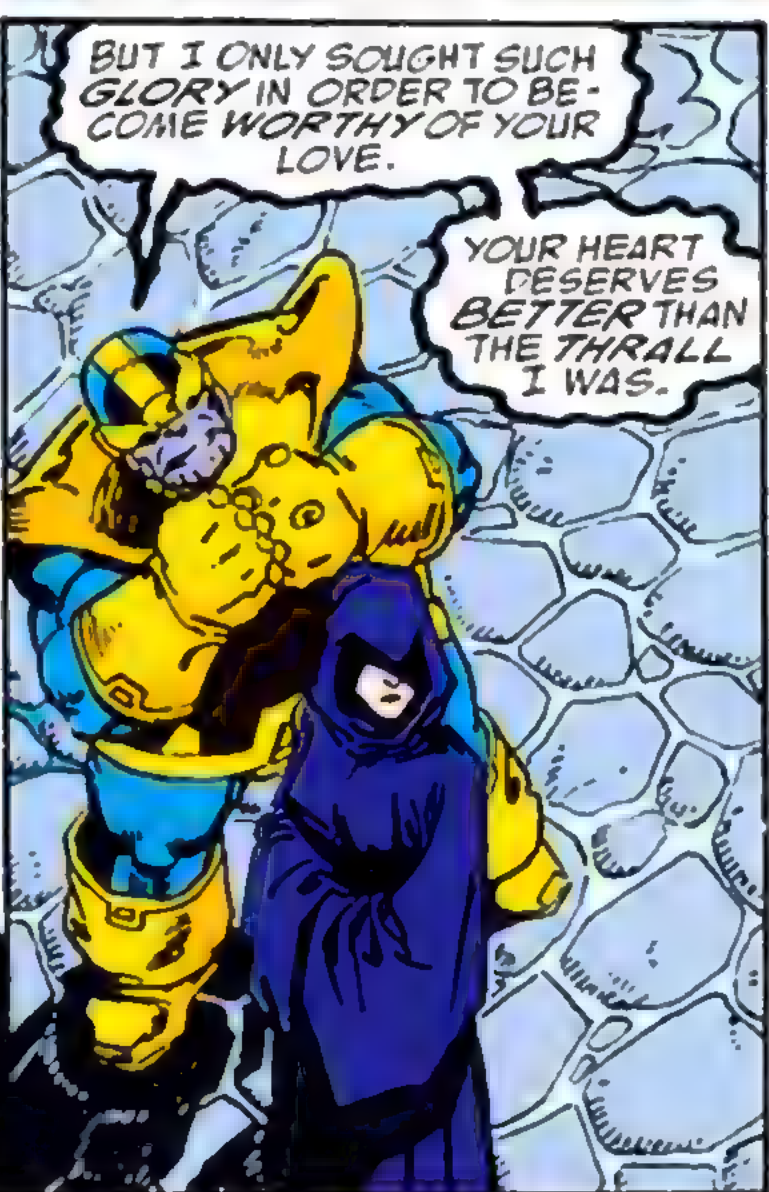
OR WILL HIS FRAGILE HEART BE HIS UNDOING?

DARLING MISTRESS, YOUR SCORN WOUNDS ME DEEPLY.

IT WAS NEVER MY INTENTION TO WRONG YOU NOR, DO I BELIEVE, I HAVE.

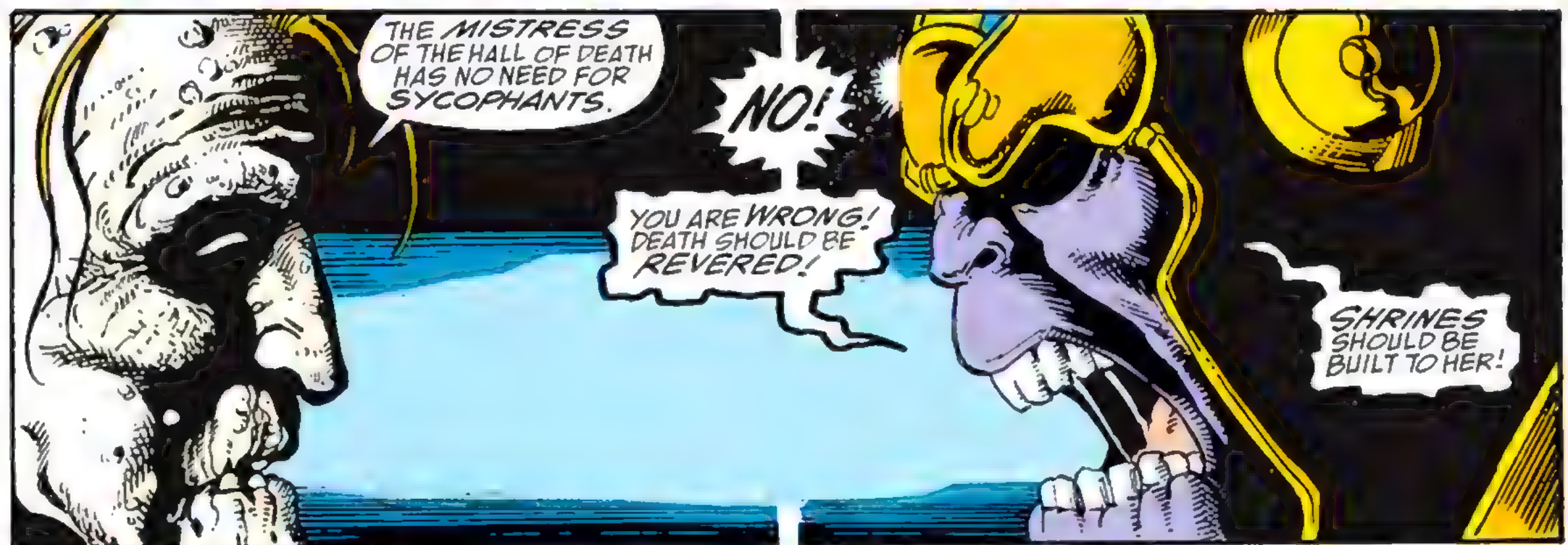
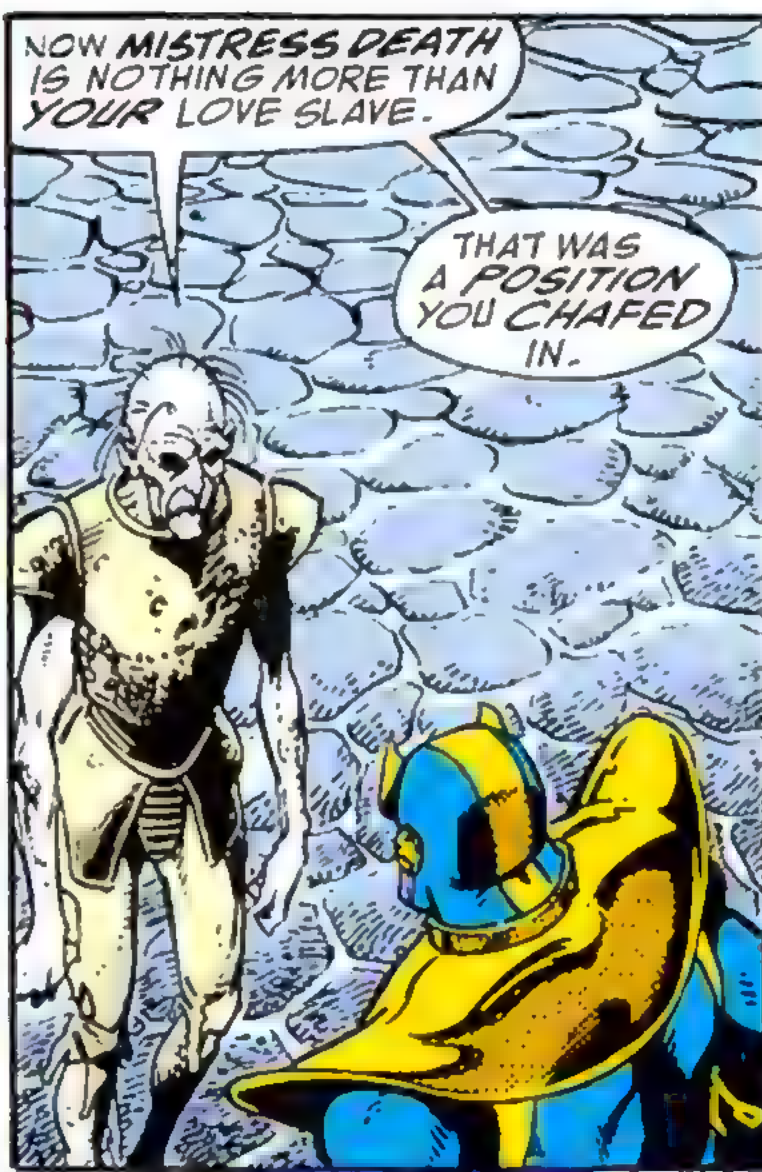
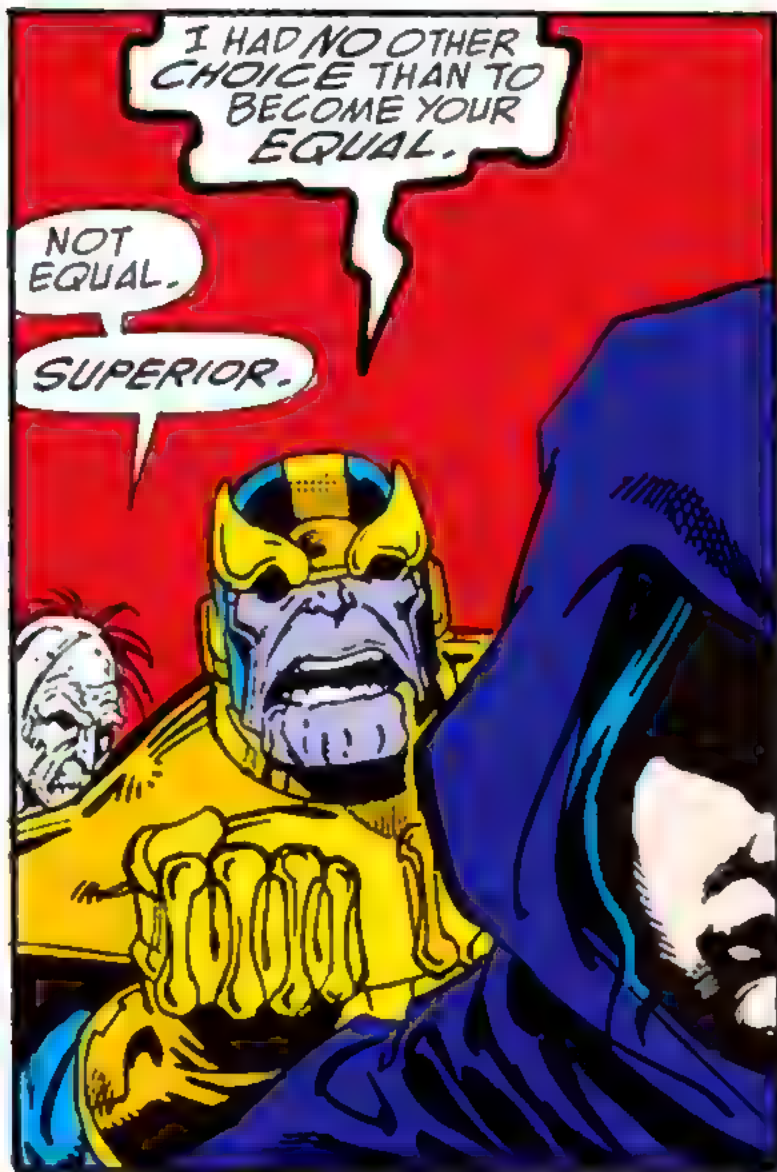


TRUE, I DID USE THE POWERS YOU GRANTED ME TO SEEK OUT THE INFINITY GEMS TO BECOME THE SUPREME BEING THAT NOW STANDS BEFORE YOU.



BUT I ONLY SOUGHT SUCH GLORY IN ORDER TO BECOME WORTHY OF YOUR LOVE.

YOUR HEART DESERVES BETTER THAN THE THRALL I WAS.



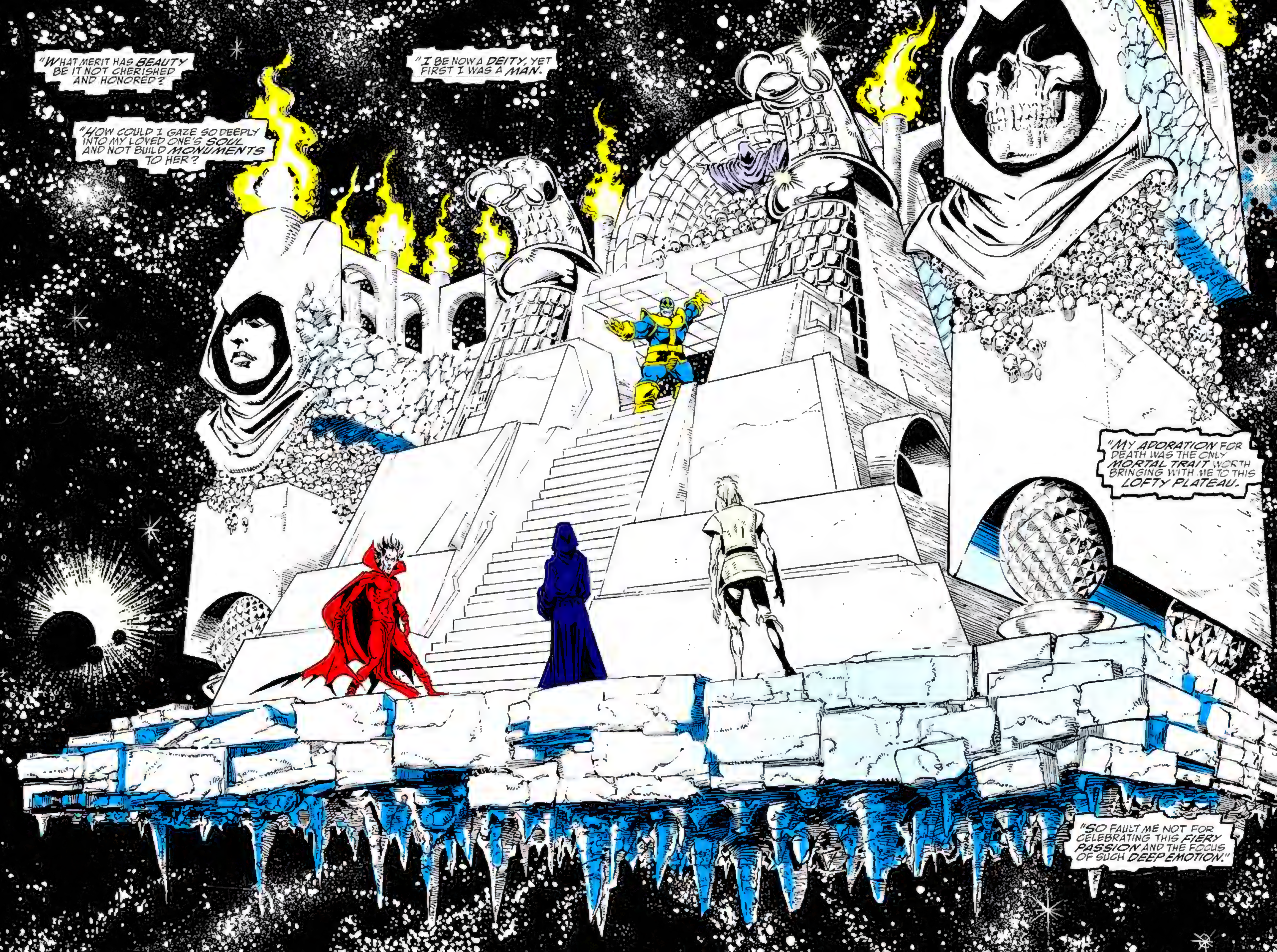
"WHAT MERIT HAS *BEAUTY*
BE IT NOT *CHERISHED*
AND *HONORED*?"

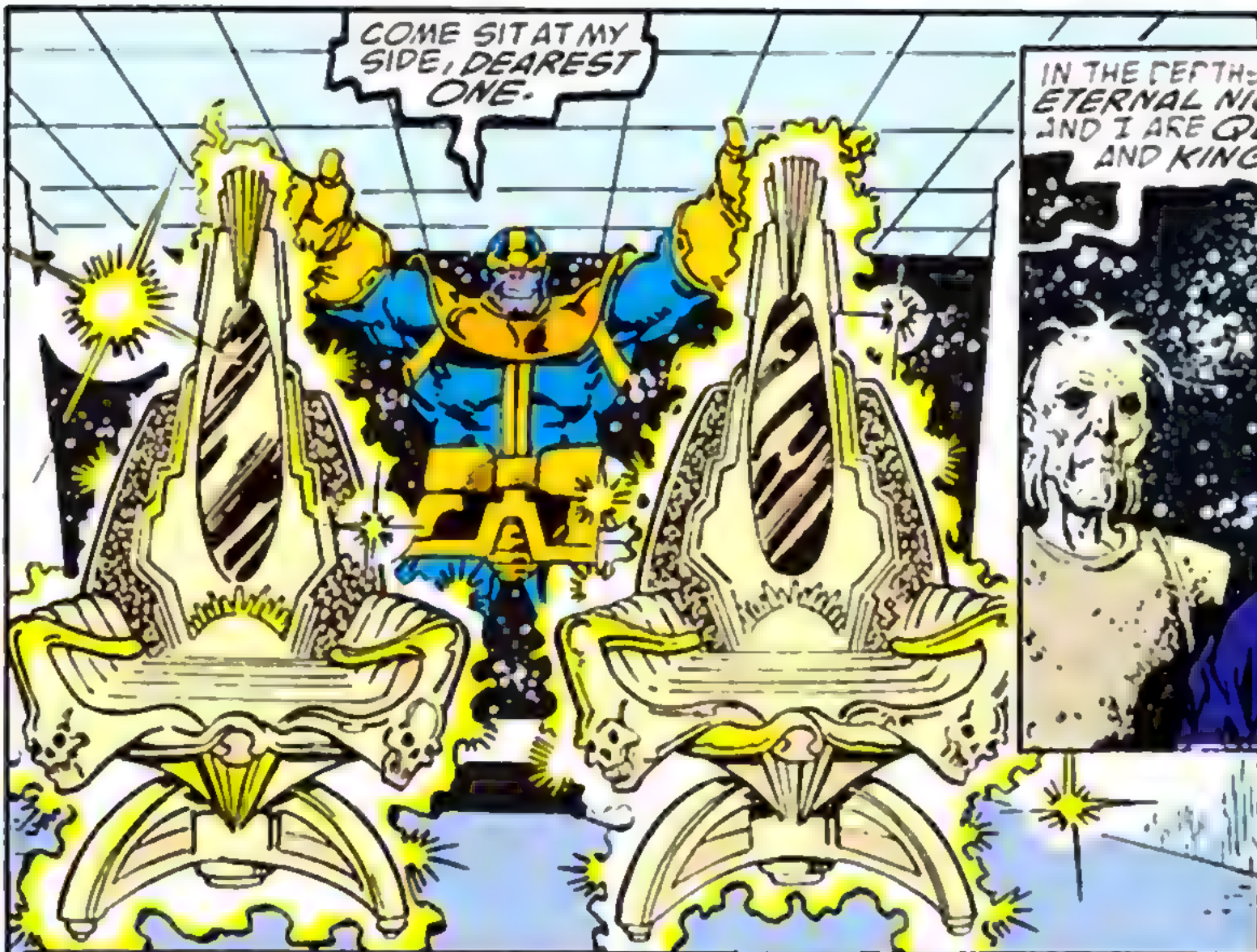
"I BE NOW A *DEITY*, YET
FIRST I WAS A *MAN*."

"HOW COULD I GAZE SO DEEPLY
INTO MY LOVED ONE'S *SOUL*
AND NOT BUILD *MONUMENTS*
TO HER?"

"MY ADORATION FOR
DEATH WAS THE ONLY
MORTAL TRAIT WORTH
BRINGING WITH ME TO THIS
LOFTY PLATEAU."

"SO FAULT ME NOT FOR
CELEBRATING THIS *FIERY*
PASSION AND THE FOCUS
OF SUCH DEEP EMOTION."

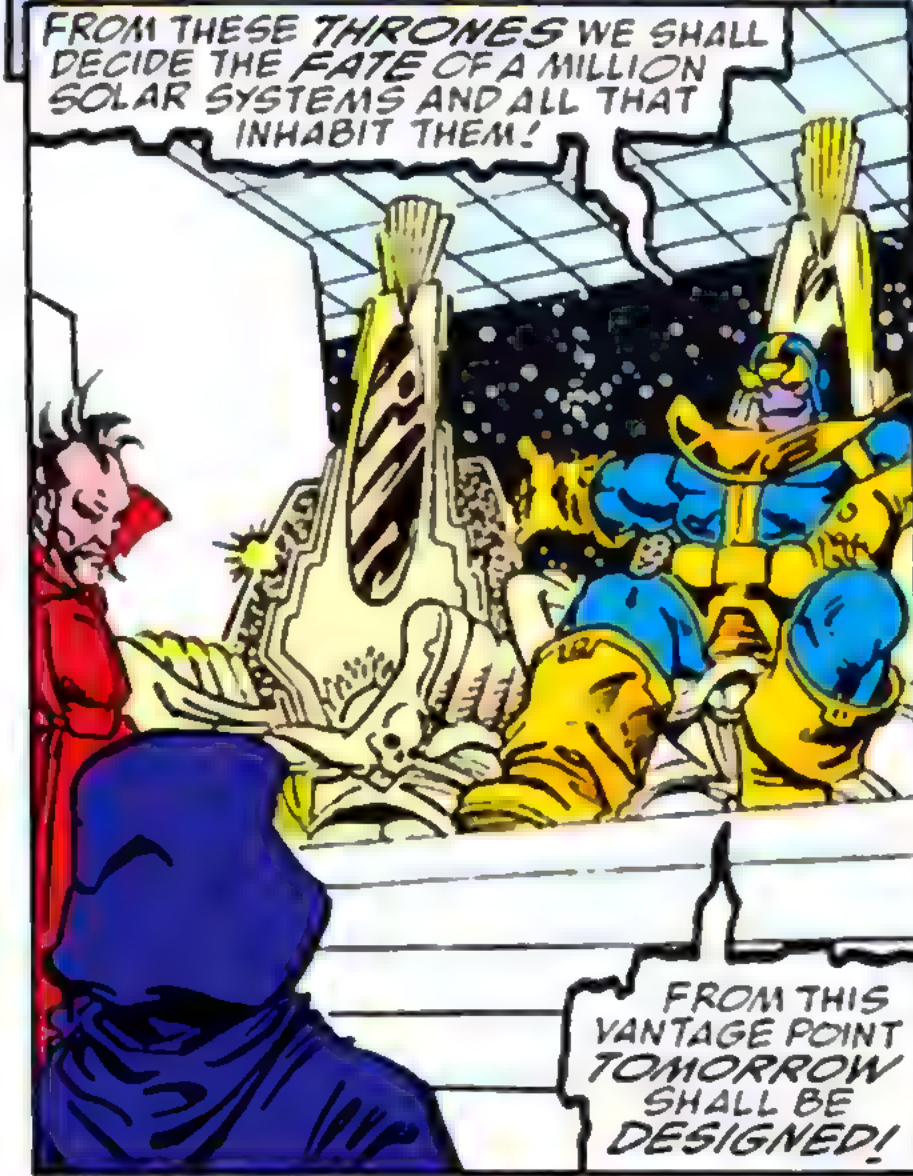




COME SIT AT MY
SIDE, DEAREST
ONE.

IN THE DEPTHS OF THE
ETERNAL NIGHT YOU
AND I ARE QUEEN
AND KING!

OUR
DOMAIN
BE ALL THE
UNIVERSE!

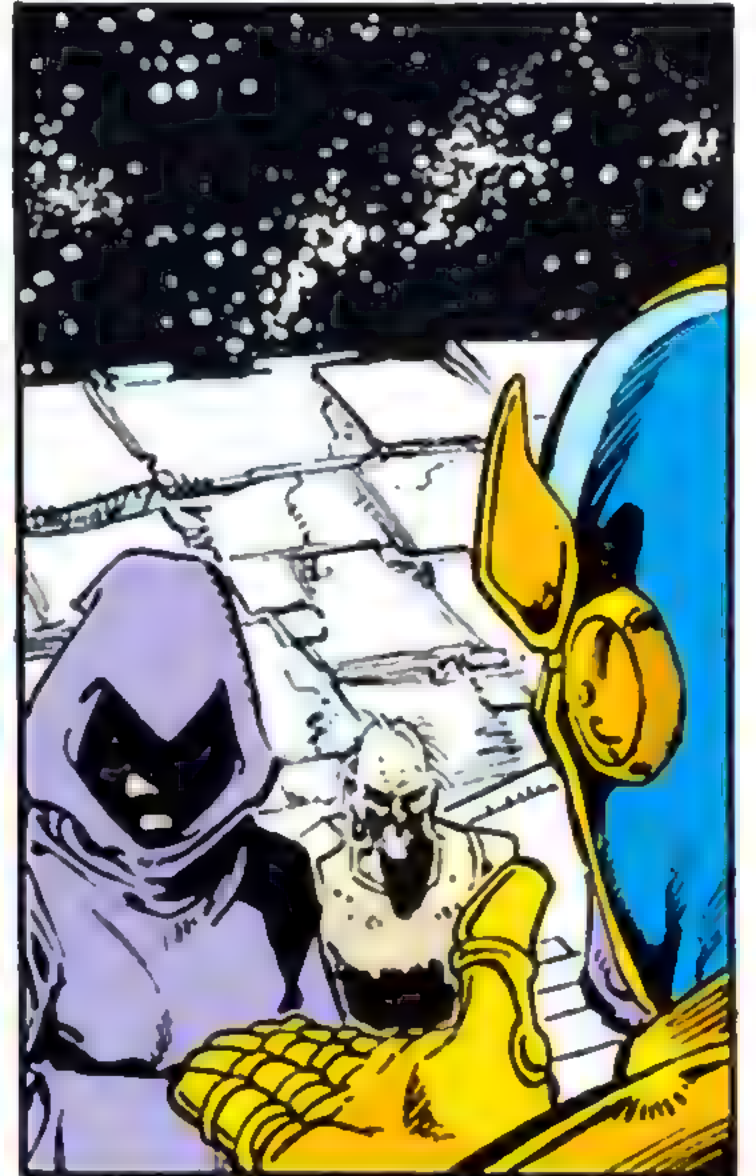


FROM THESE THRONES WE SHALL
DECIDE THE FATE OF A MILLION
SOLAR SYSTEMS AND ALL THAT
INHABIT THEM!

FROM THIS
VANTAGE POINT
TOMORROW
SHALL BE
DESIGNED!

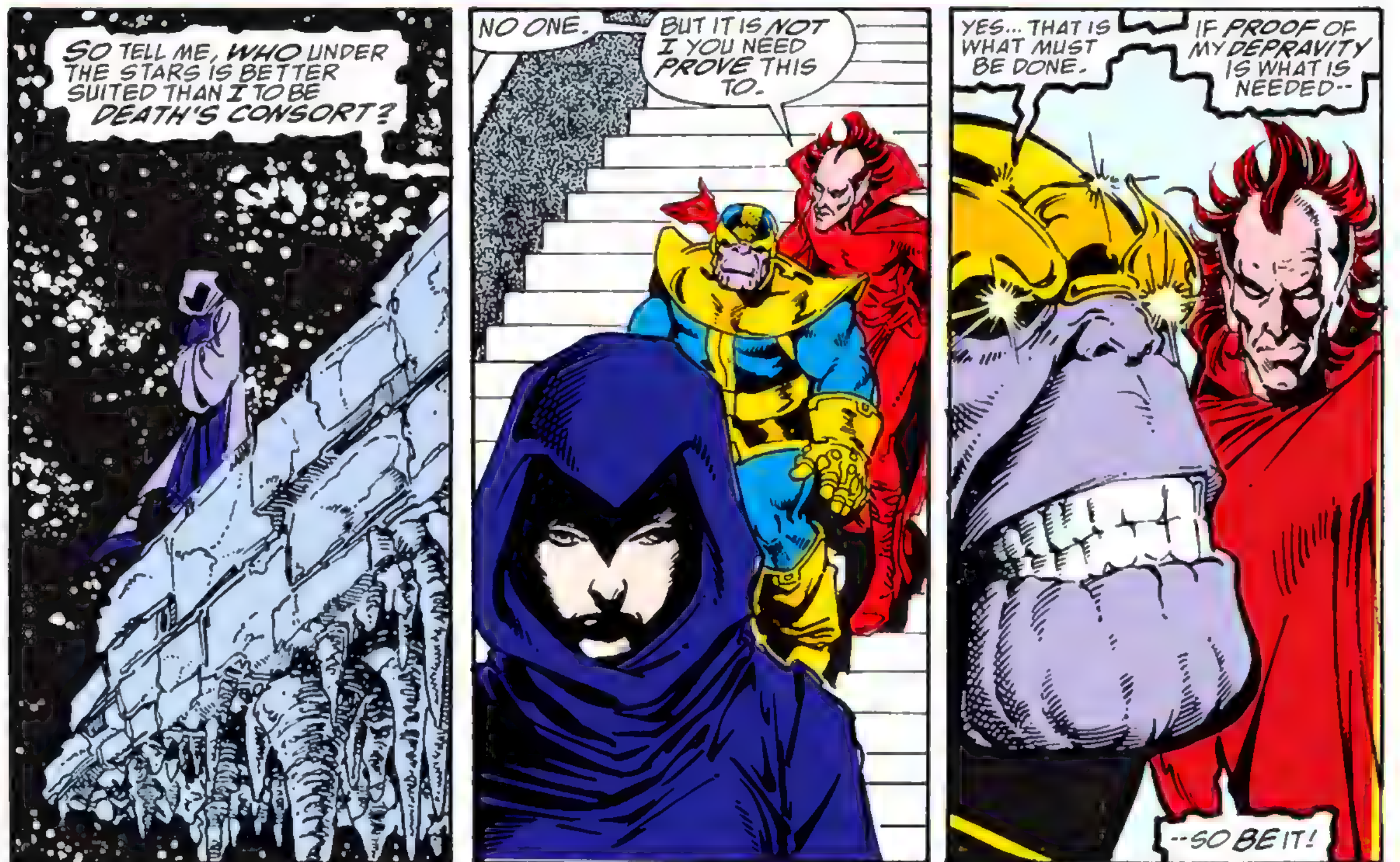
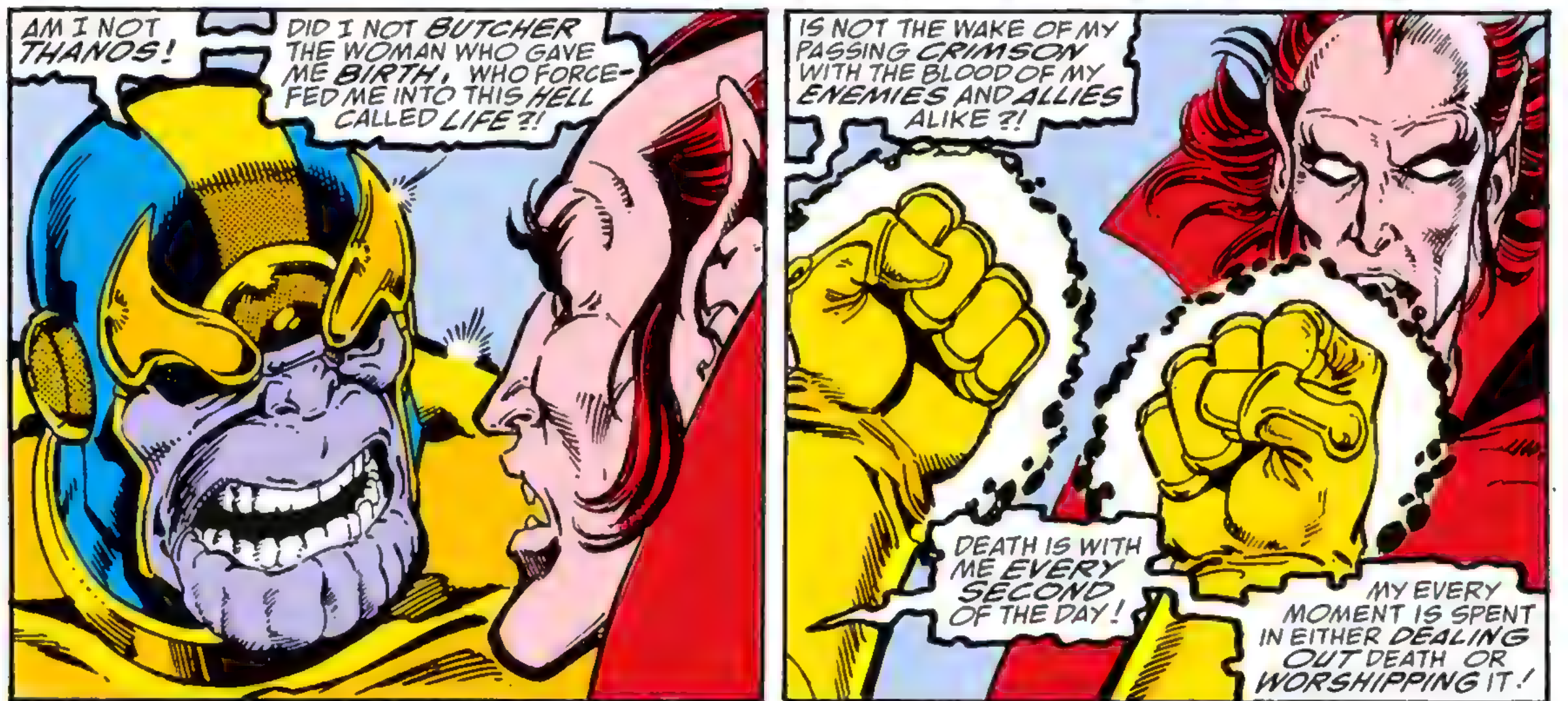


AS A TOKEN OF MY
HEARTFELT ESTEEM,
MISTRESS DEATH, I
GIVE THEE ALL
THAT IS!



STILL SHE
SPURNS ME?!

PERHAPS IT IS
BECAUSE SHE DOES NOT YET
REALIZE THE TRUE STAGNANT
DEPTHS YOUR BLACK SOUL IS
CAPABLE OF ACHIEVING?





"ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE TO YOU NEBULA--

--MY GRAND-DAUGHTER.



"AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT SHE CLAIMS TO BE.

"SO I TOOK HER AT HER WORD AND MADE HER MY OWN."



FROM A VIGOROUS AND HEALTHY YOUNG THING I CREATED THAT WHICH NOW STANDS BEFORE YOU.

MY POWER AND SPIRIT SCULPTED NEBULA INTO WALKING DEATH.

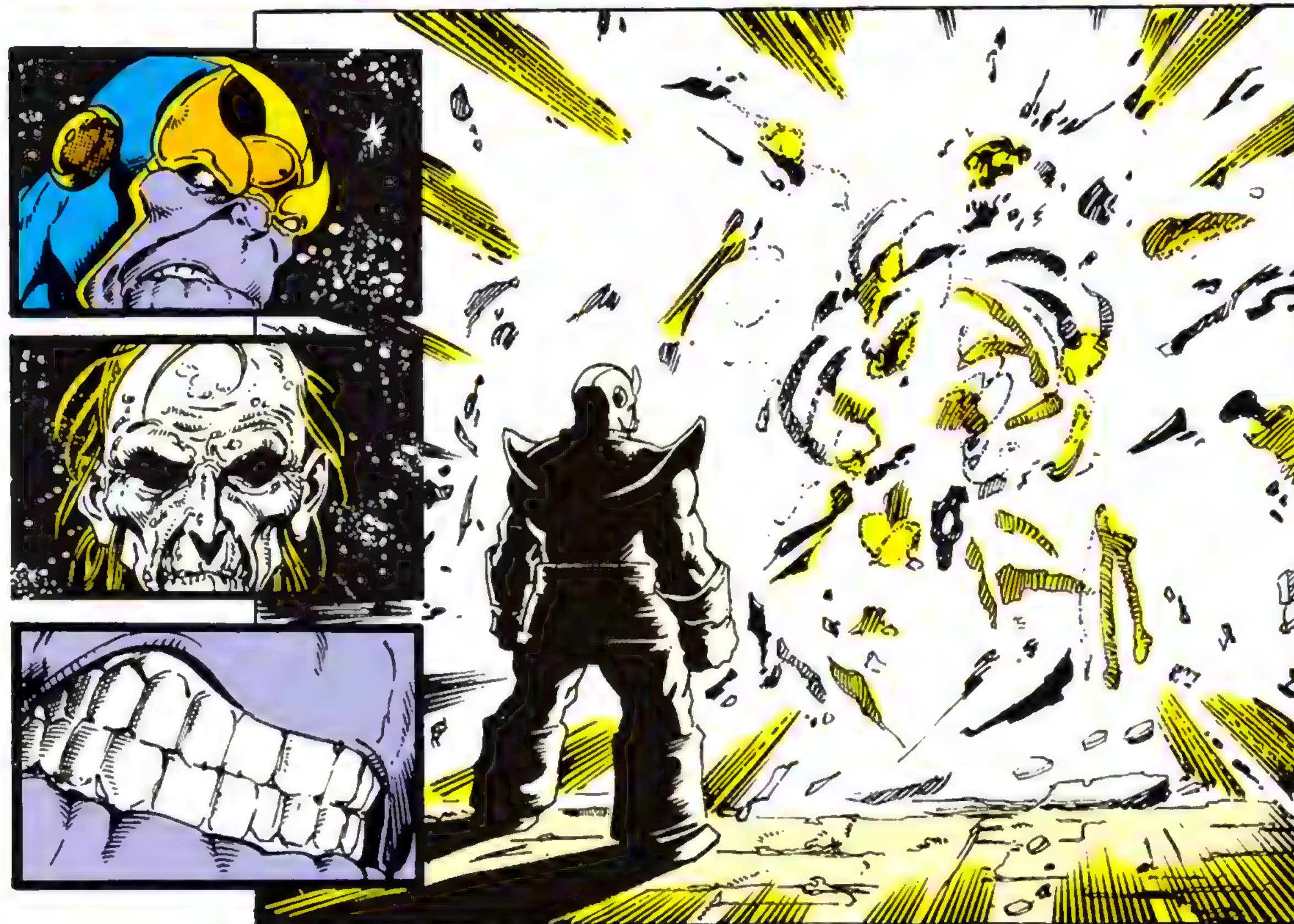
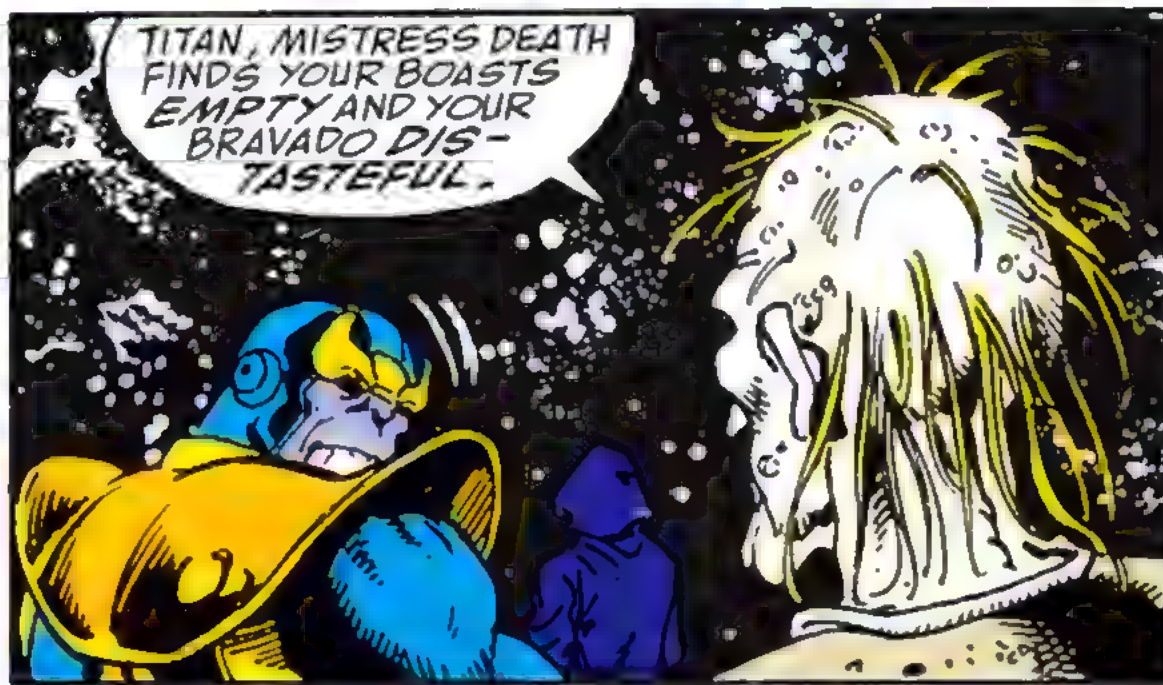
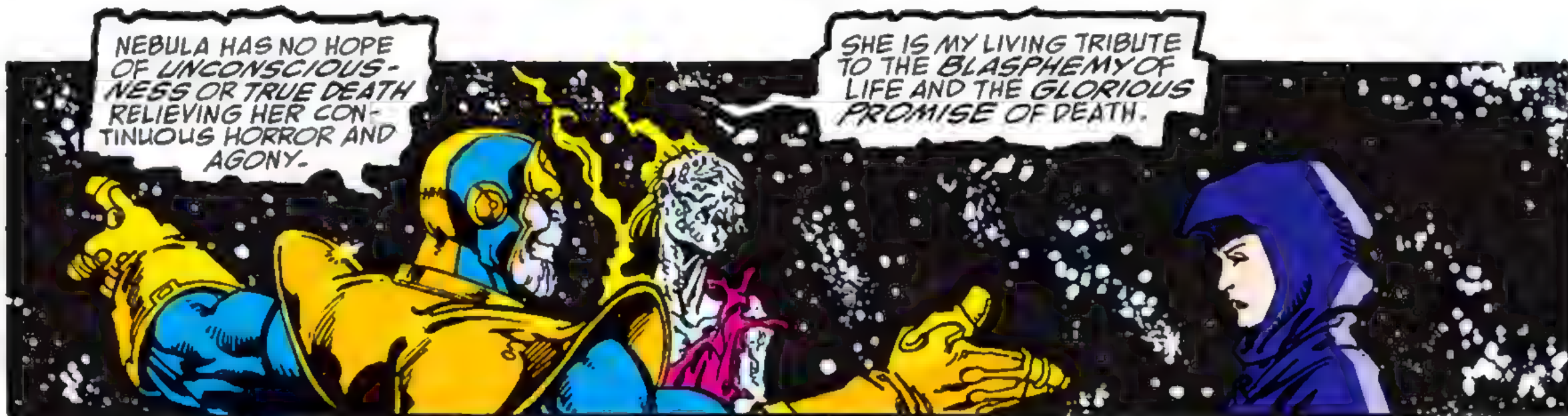


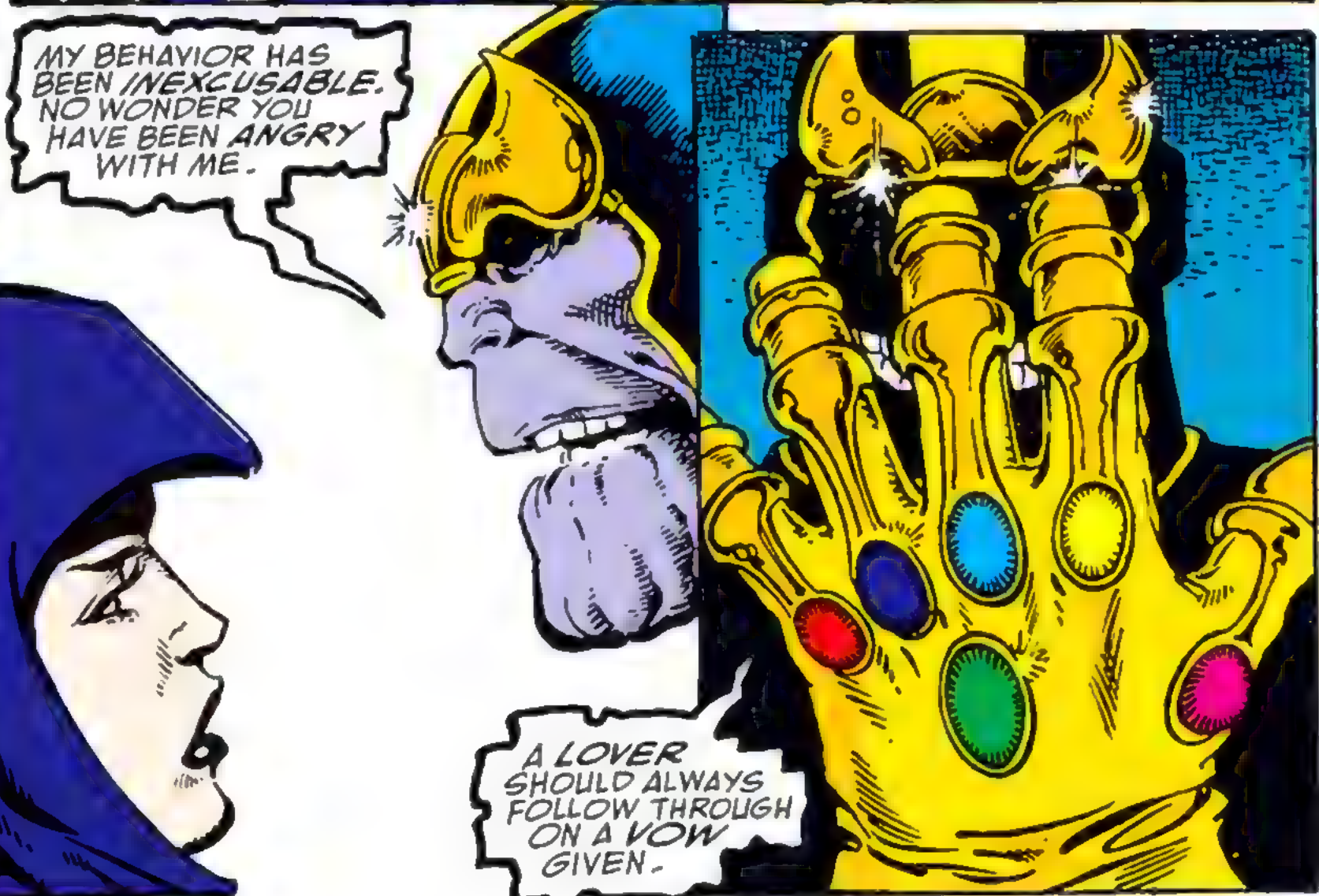
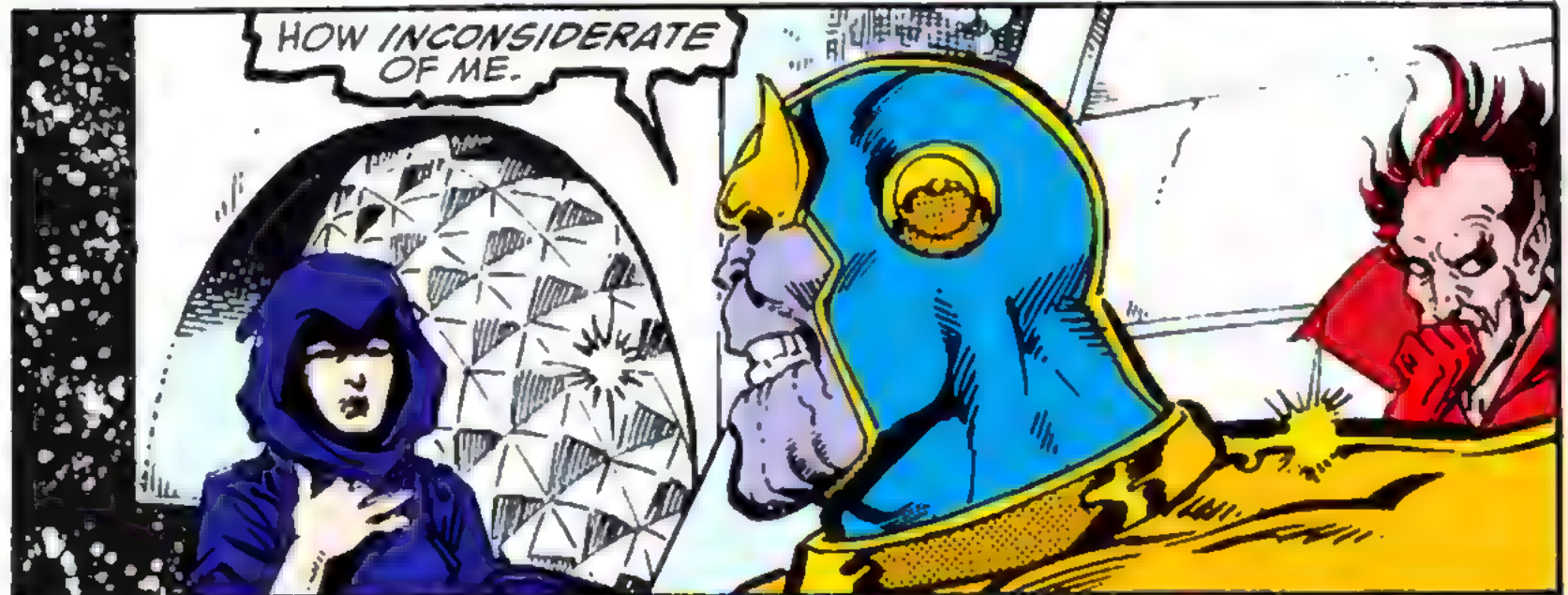
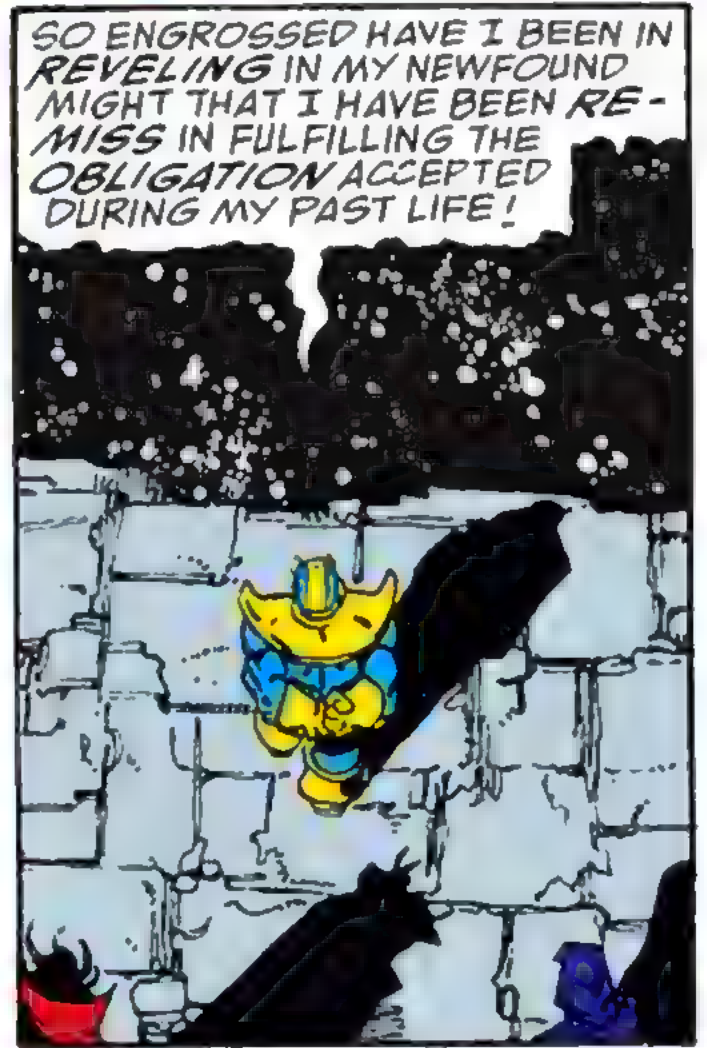
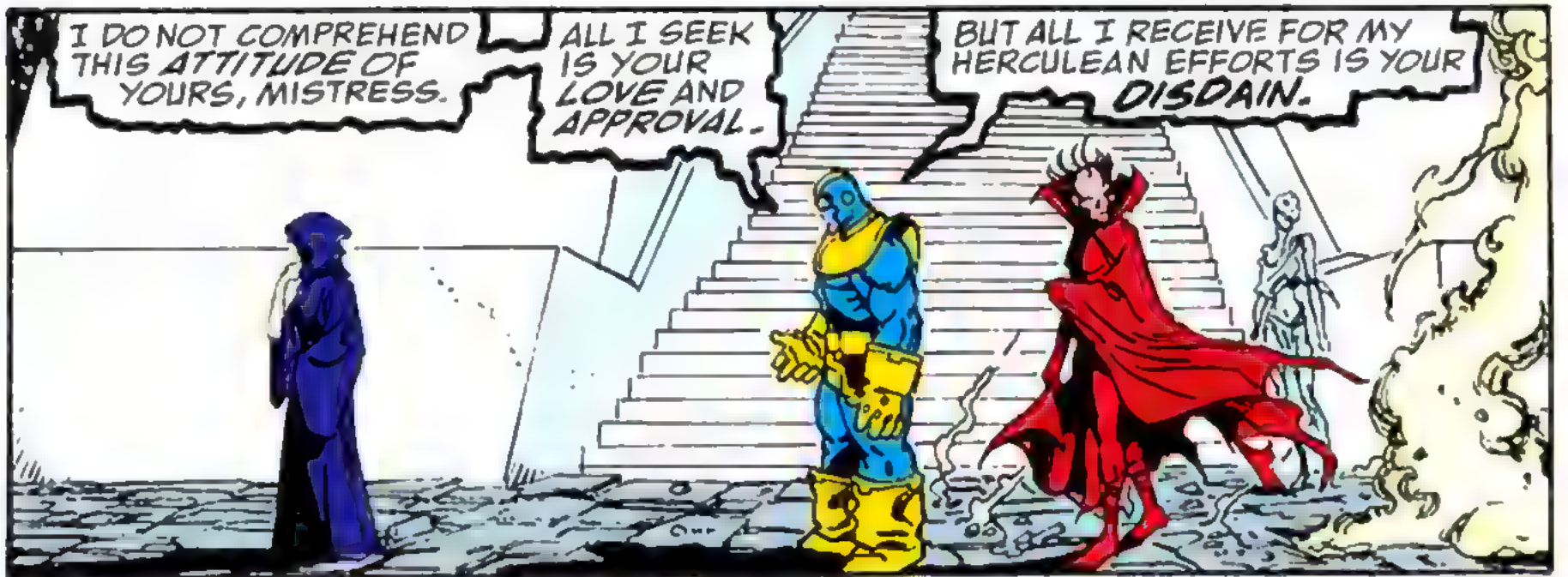
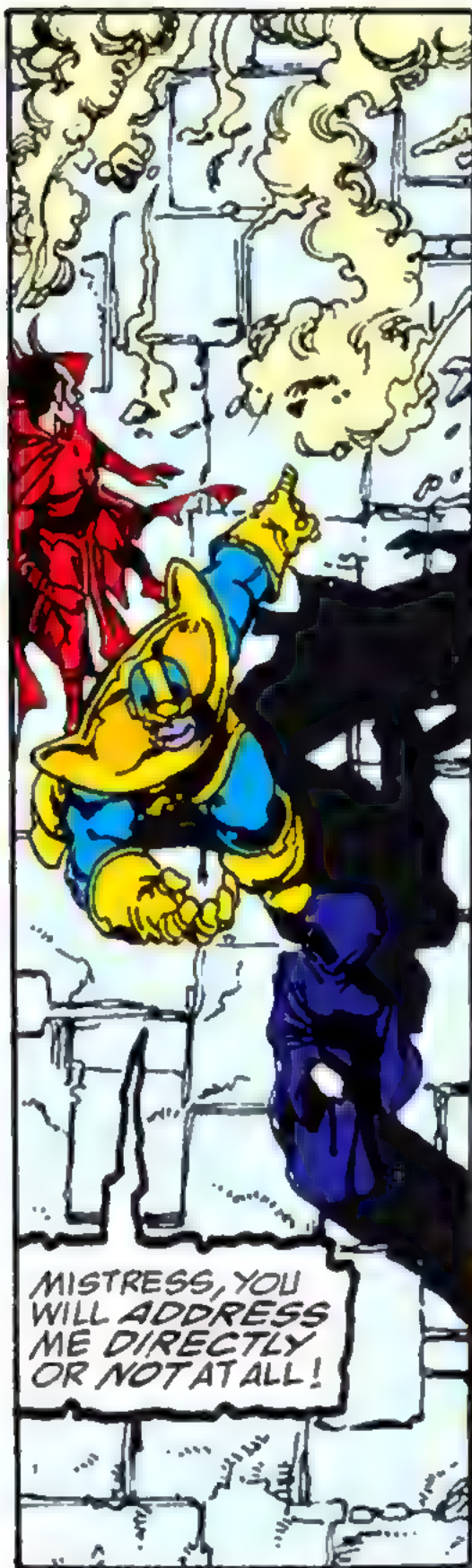
LIMBS TWISTED, FLESH CHARRED AND CRACKED, AND NEARLY MINDLESS.

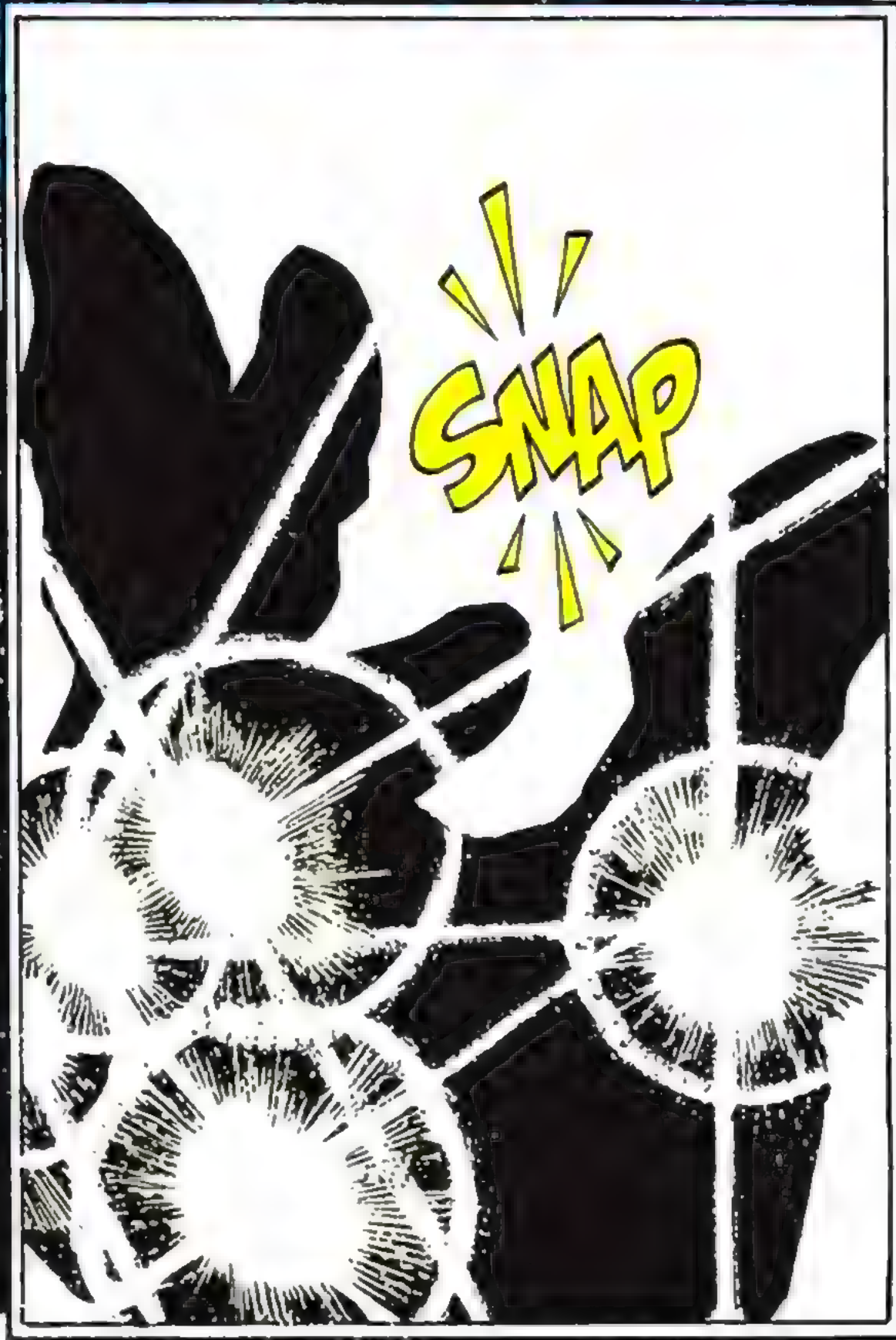
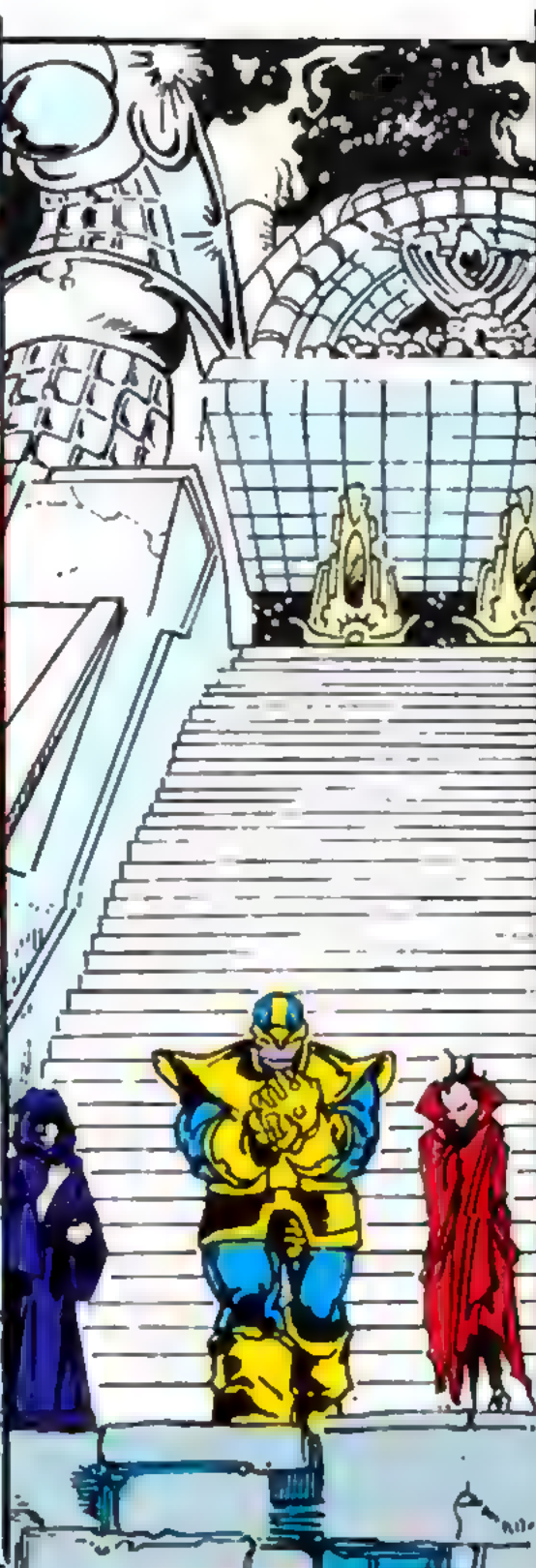
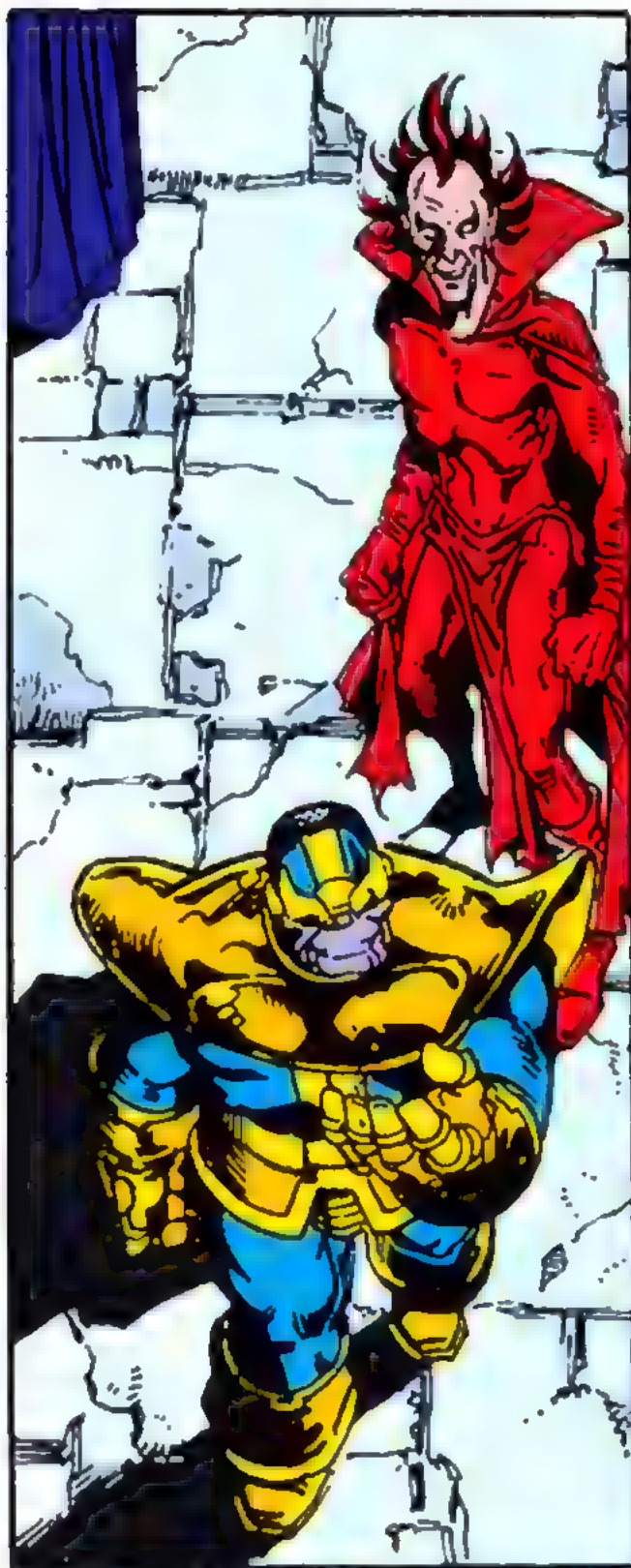
BY ALL RIGHTS THE WENCH SHOULD BE DEAD, BUT SHE YET LIVES.

SHE EXISTS ON A FINE LINE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH, A LIMBO OF SORTS.

MY UNEARTHLY POWER MAINTAINS HER BALANCE ON THIS PRECARIOUS PERCH.







BAGGED MYSELF A
COUPLE BURGLARS
AND THREE MUGGERS..

... A TYPICAL NIGHT'S
WORK FOR YOUR
FRIENDLY NEIGHBOR-
HOOD SPIDER-MAN.

I WAS CALLING
IT QUITS AND
HEADING HOME
WHEN...

... SOMETHING
LIKE A WAVE OF
VERTIGO
HIT ME.

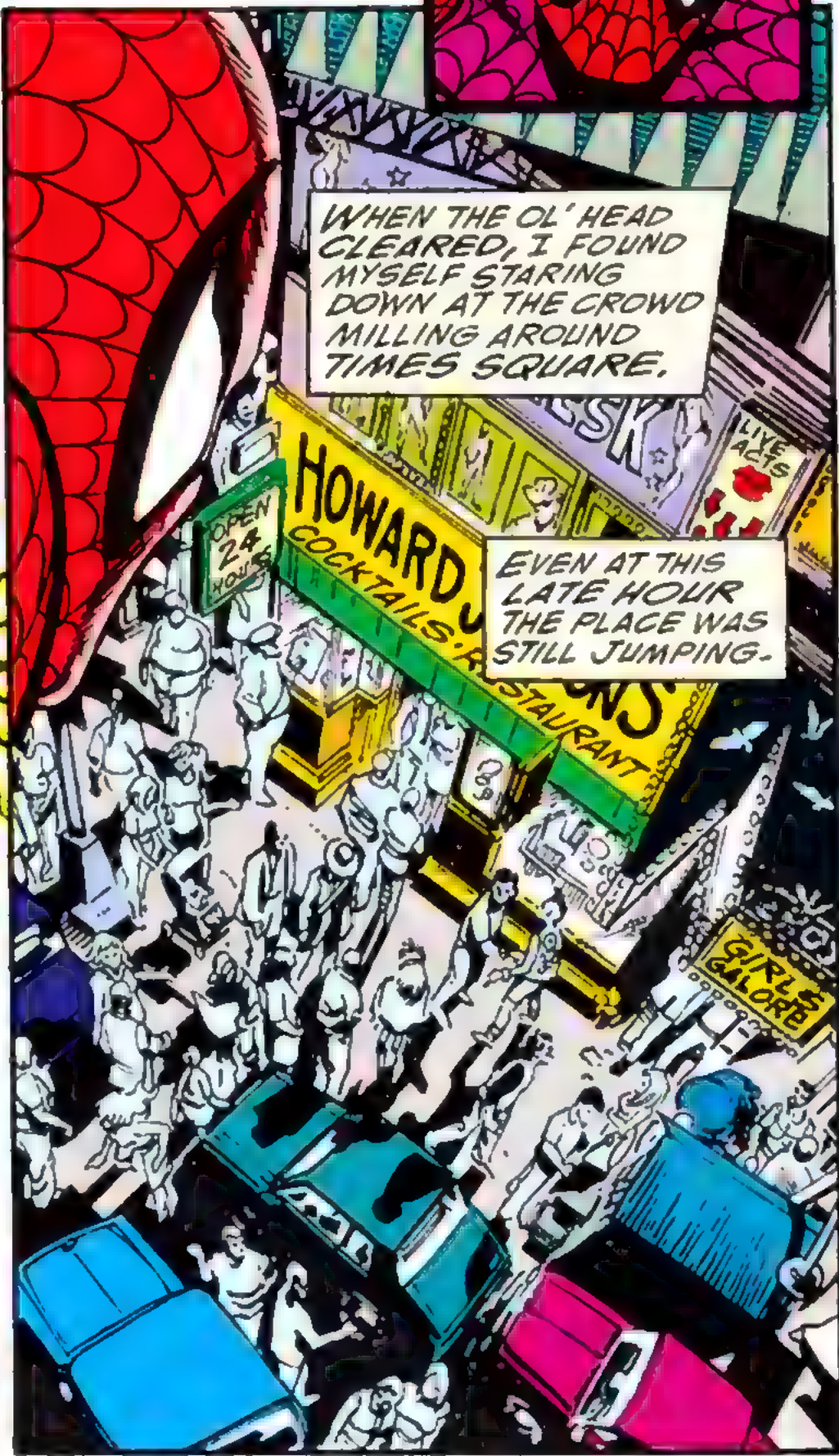
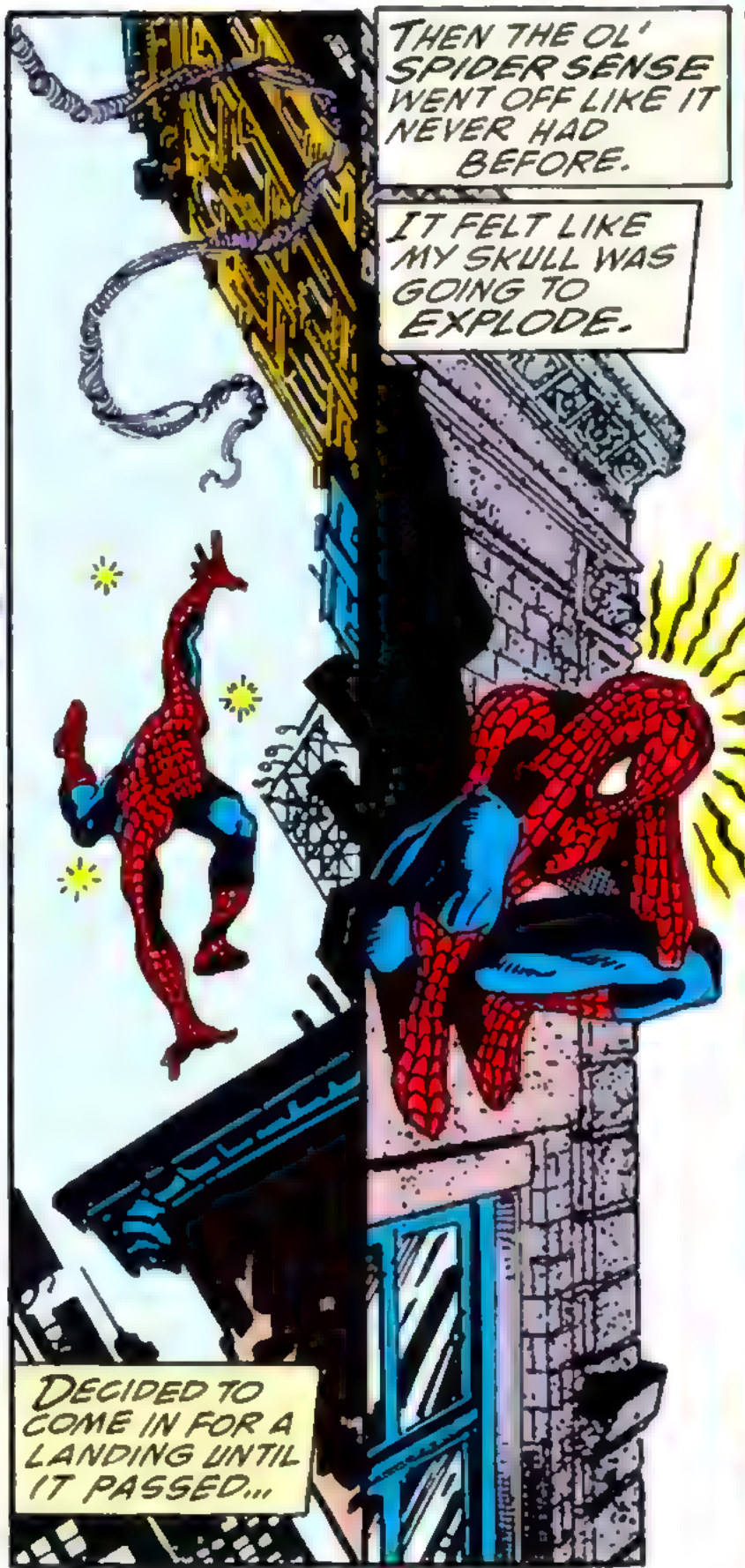
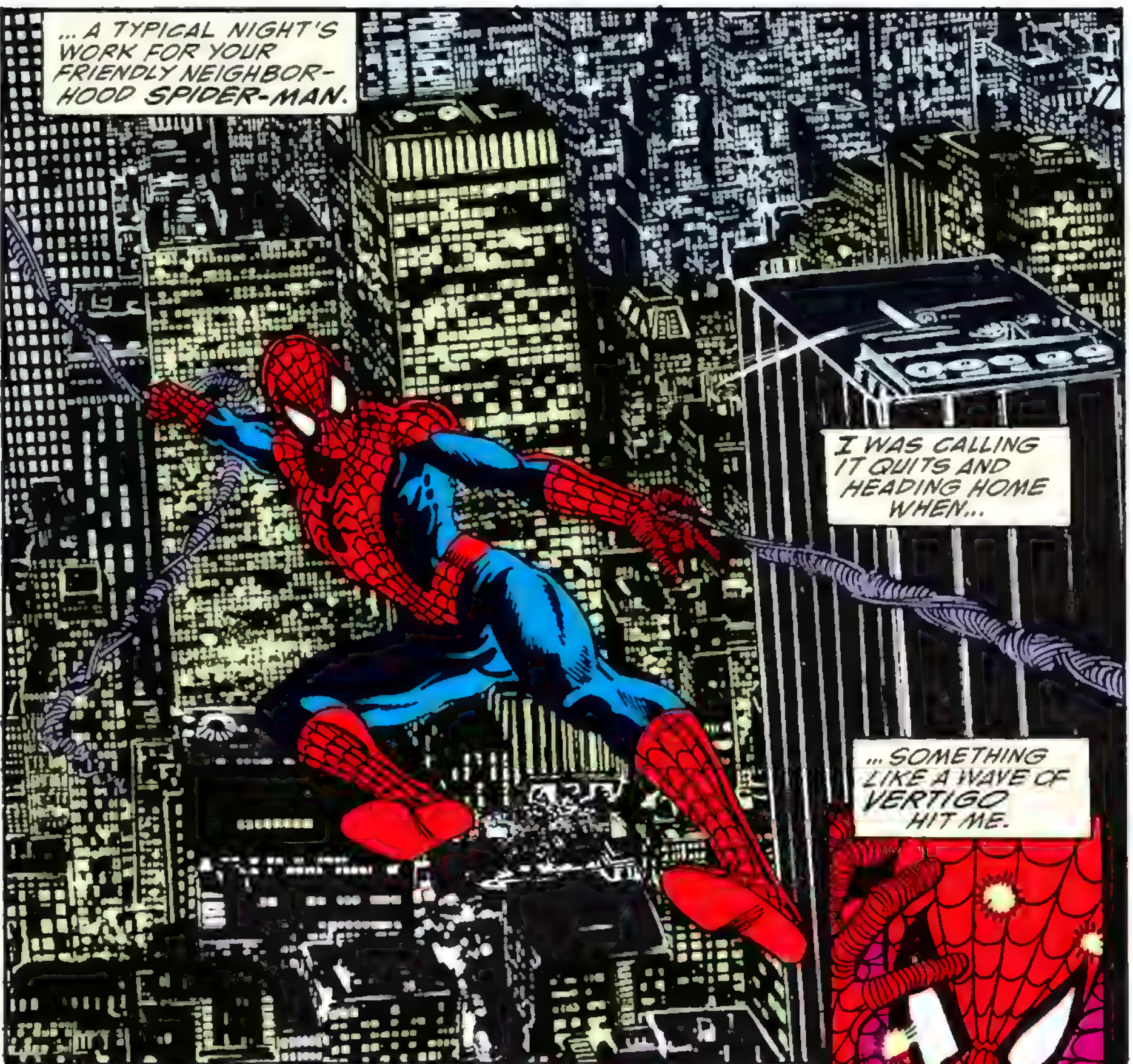
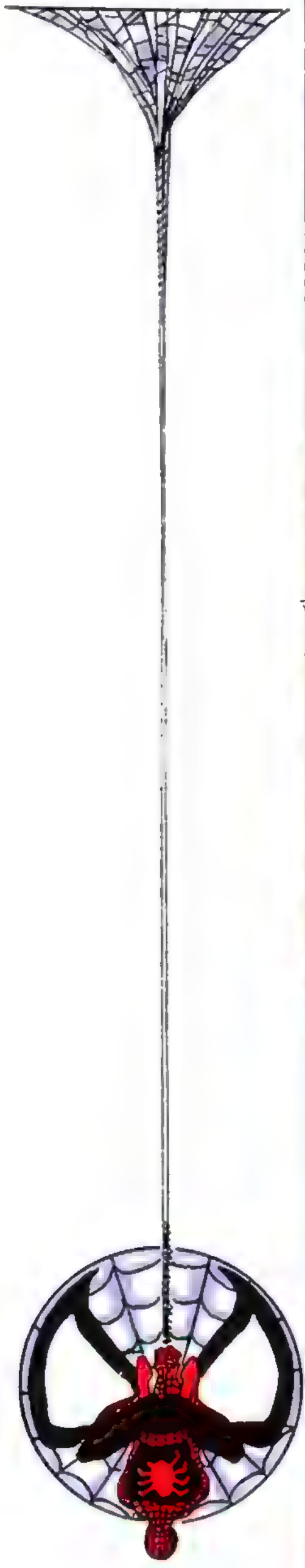
THEN THE OL'
SPIDER SENSE
WENT OFF LIKE IT
NEVER HAD
BEFORE.

IT FELT LIKE
MY SKULL WAS
GOING TO
EXPLODE.

WHEN THE OL' HEAD
CLEARED, I FOUND
MYSELF STARING
DOWN AT THE CROWD
MILLING AROUND
TIMES SQUARE.

EVEN AT THIS
LATE HOUR
THE PLACE WAS
STILL JUMPING.

DECIDED TO
COME IN FOR A
LANDING UNTIL
IT PASSED...

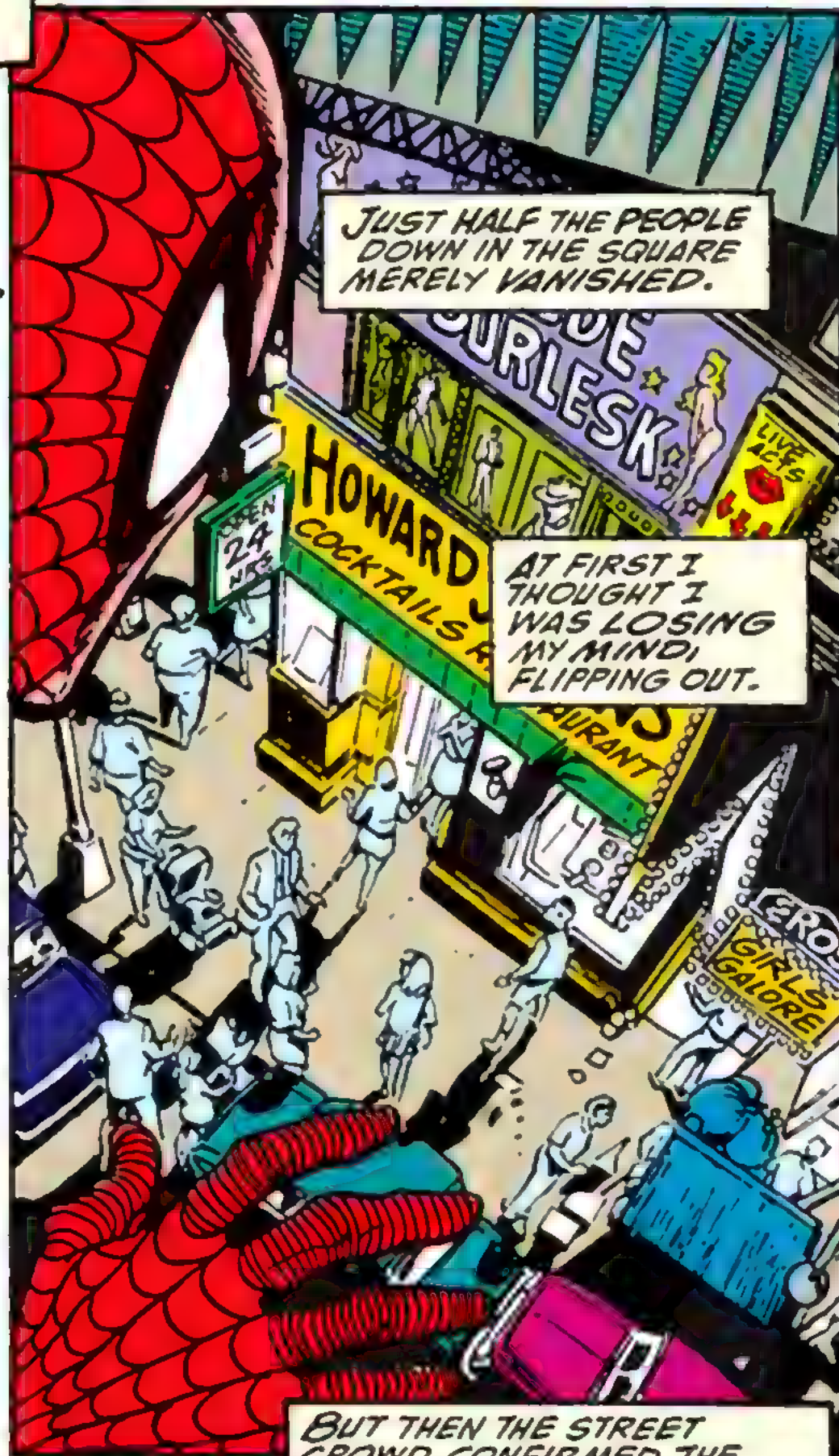


WHY COULDN'T I
HAVE KEPT MY EYES
SHUT JUST A FEW
SECONDS
LONGER?

BUT I DIDN'T, SO I
ENDED UP WITNESS-
ING A SIGHT THAT I'M
SURE WILL HAUNT
MY DREAMS FOR
YEARS TO COME.

THERE WAS NO
OMINOUS
WARNING: NOT
ONE STORM CLOUD,
HEAVENLY VOICE NOR
ANY OF THE KIND OF
THINGS YOU'D THINK
WOULD ACCOMPANY
SUCH A
CATACLYSMIC
EVENT.

NOTHING.



JUST HALF THE PEOPLE
DOWN IN THE SQUARE
MERELY VANISHED.

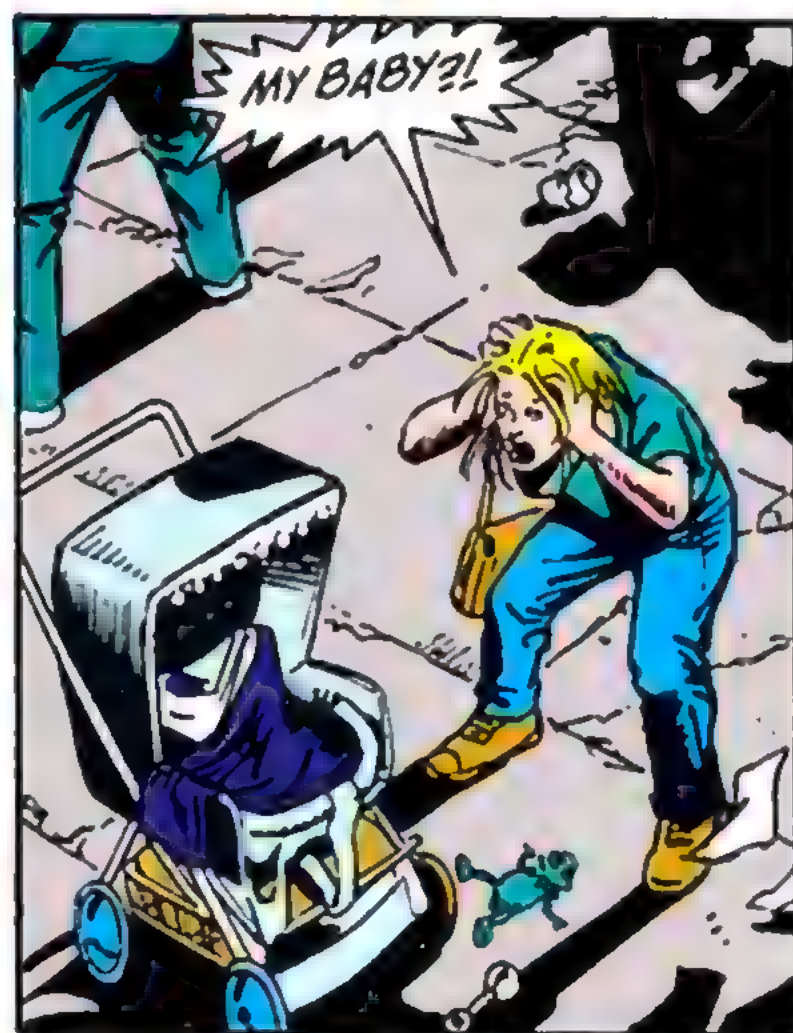
AT FIRST I
THOUGHT I
WAS LOSING
MY MIND,
FLIPPING OUT.

BUT THEN THE STREET
CROWD CONFIRMED THE
REALITY OF THIS
NIGHTMARE.

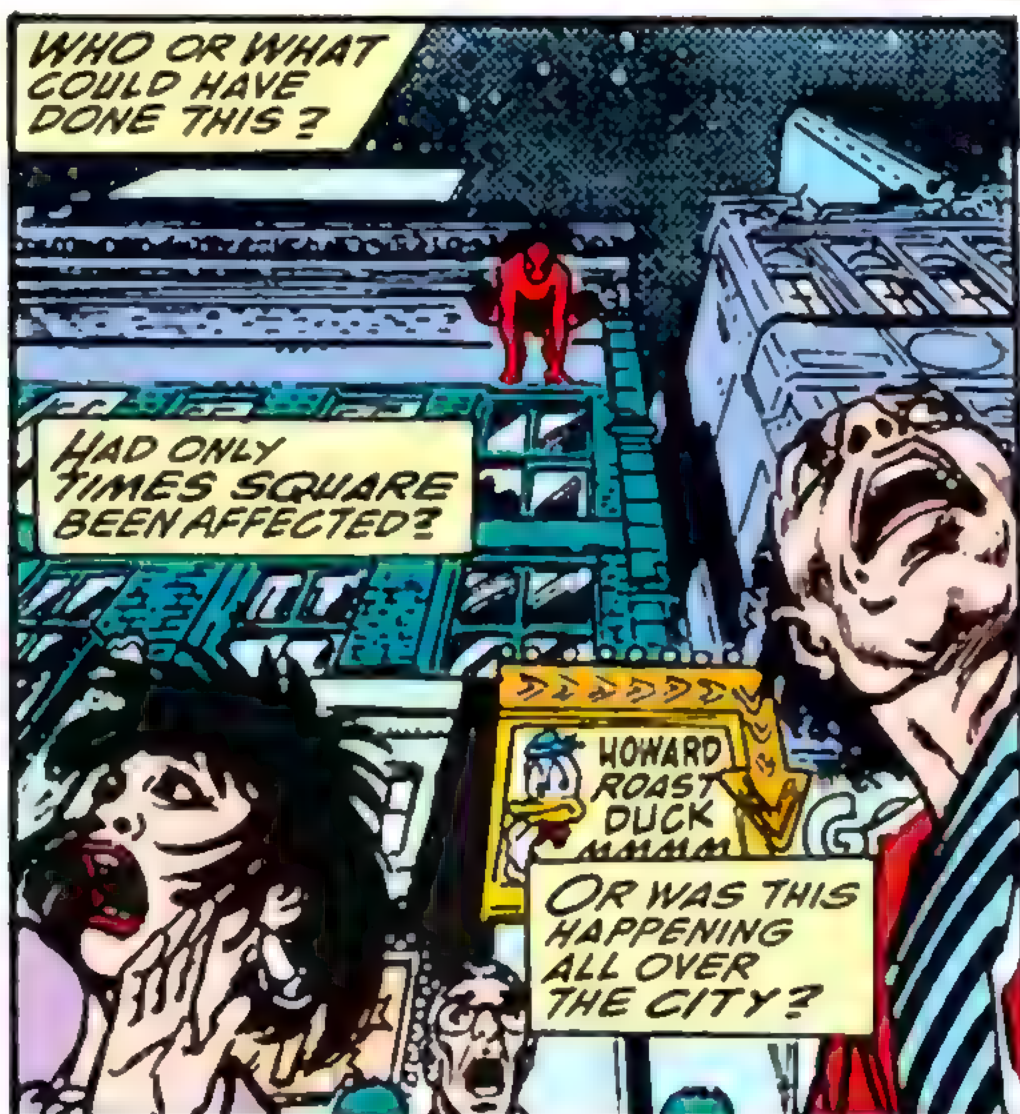


CHARLIE?

WHERE'D
YOU GO,
CHARLIE?



MY BABY?!



WHO OR WHAT
COULD HAVE
DONE THIS?

HAD ONLY
TIMES SQUARE
BEEN AFFECTED?

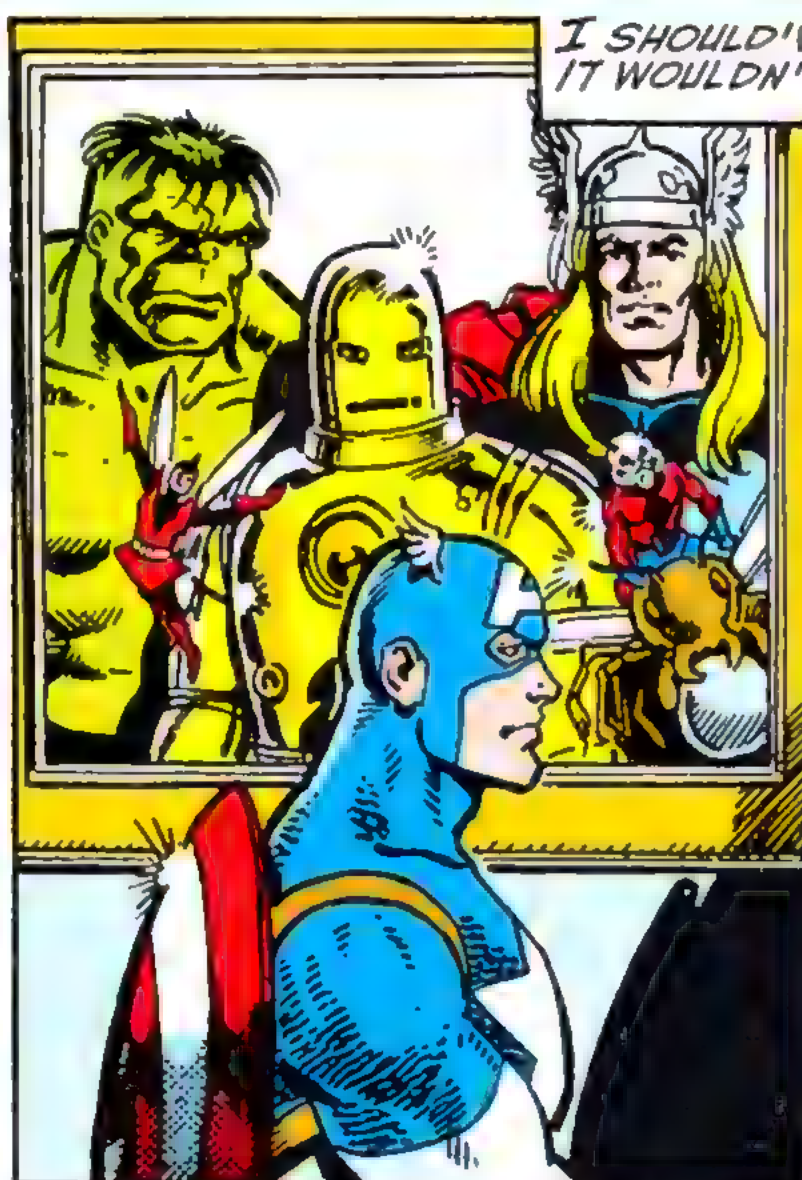
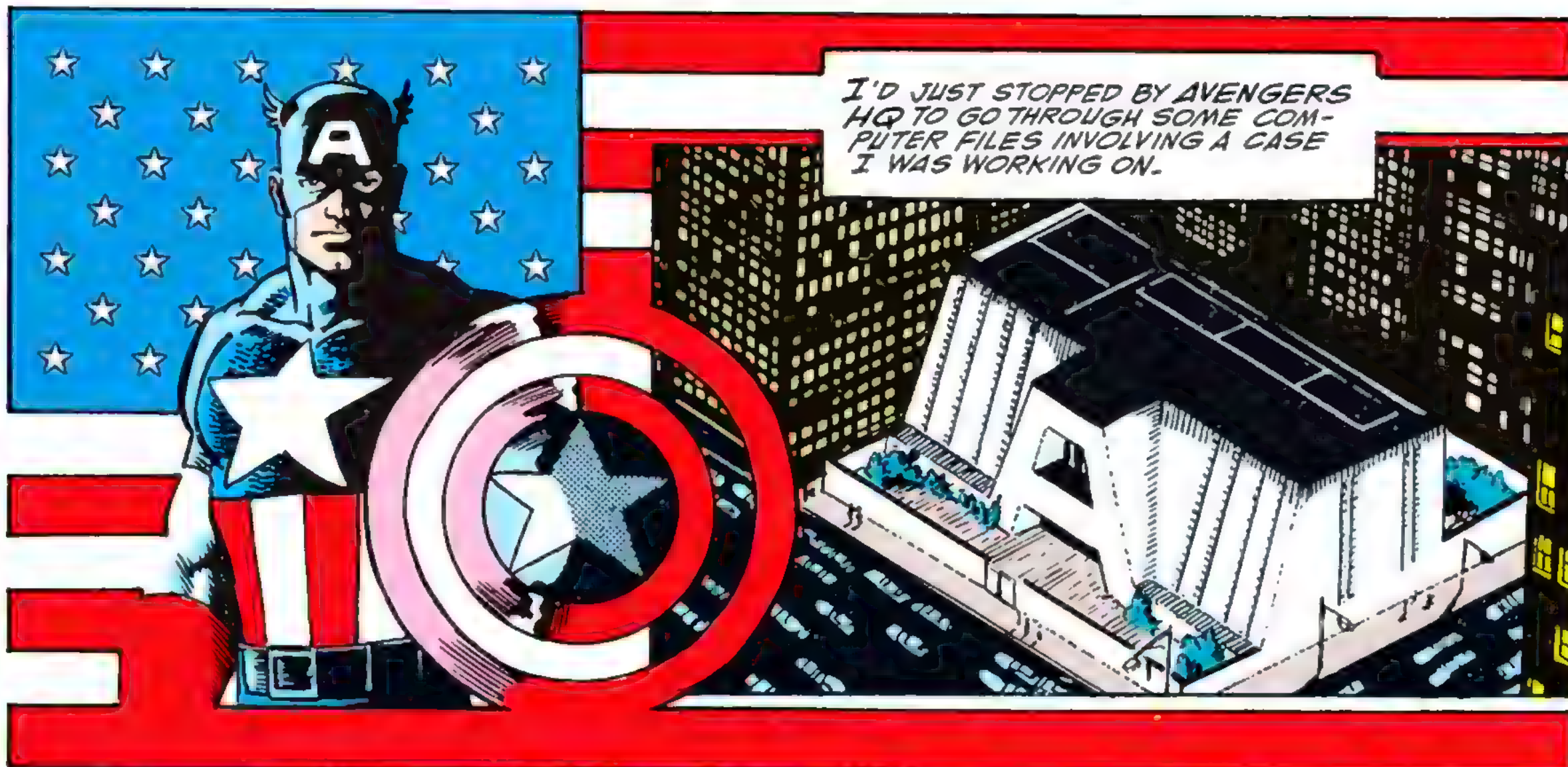
HOWARD
ROAST
DUCK
OR WAS THIS
HAPPENING
ALL OVER
THE CITY?



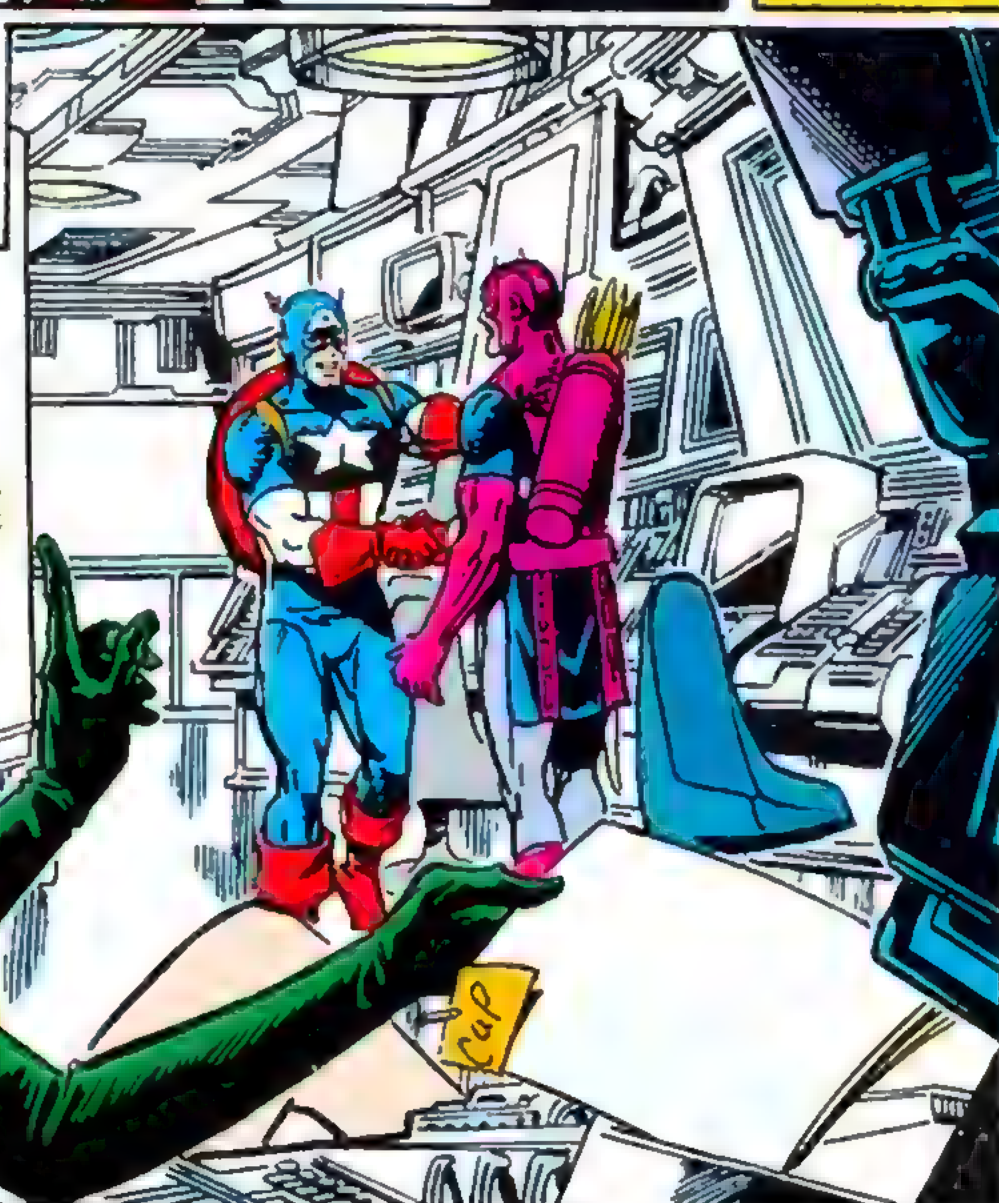
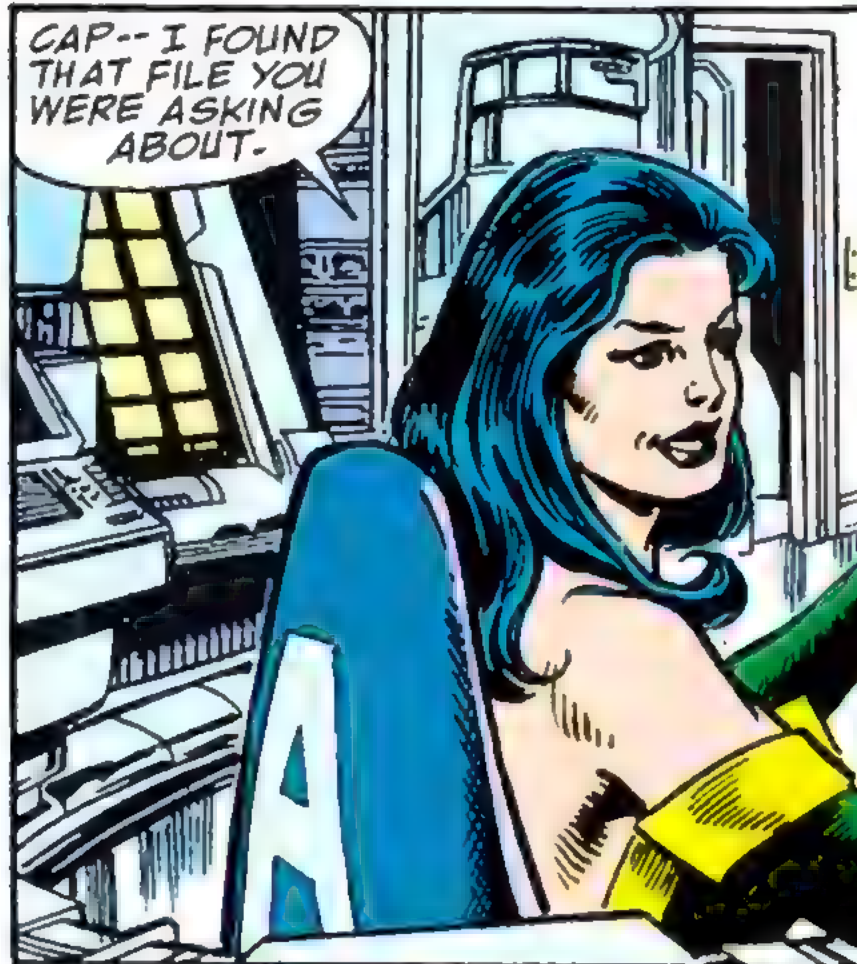
THEN IT
HIT ME.



MARY
JANE!

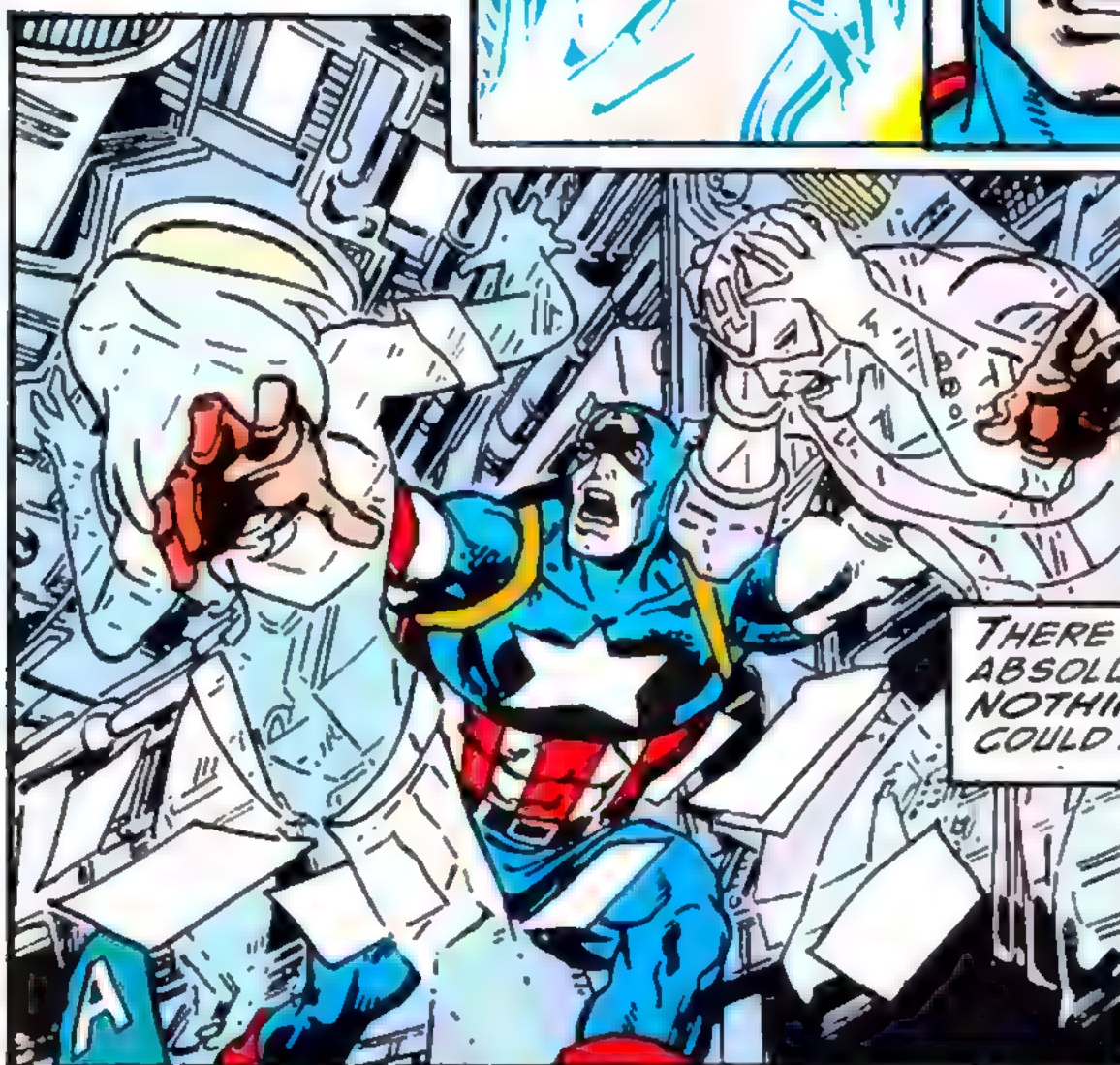


I DIDN'T EXPECT TO FIND HAWKEYE, IN FROM THE WEST COAST, KEEPING SERSI COMPANY DURING HER STINT ON MONITOR DUTY.

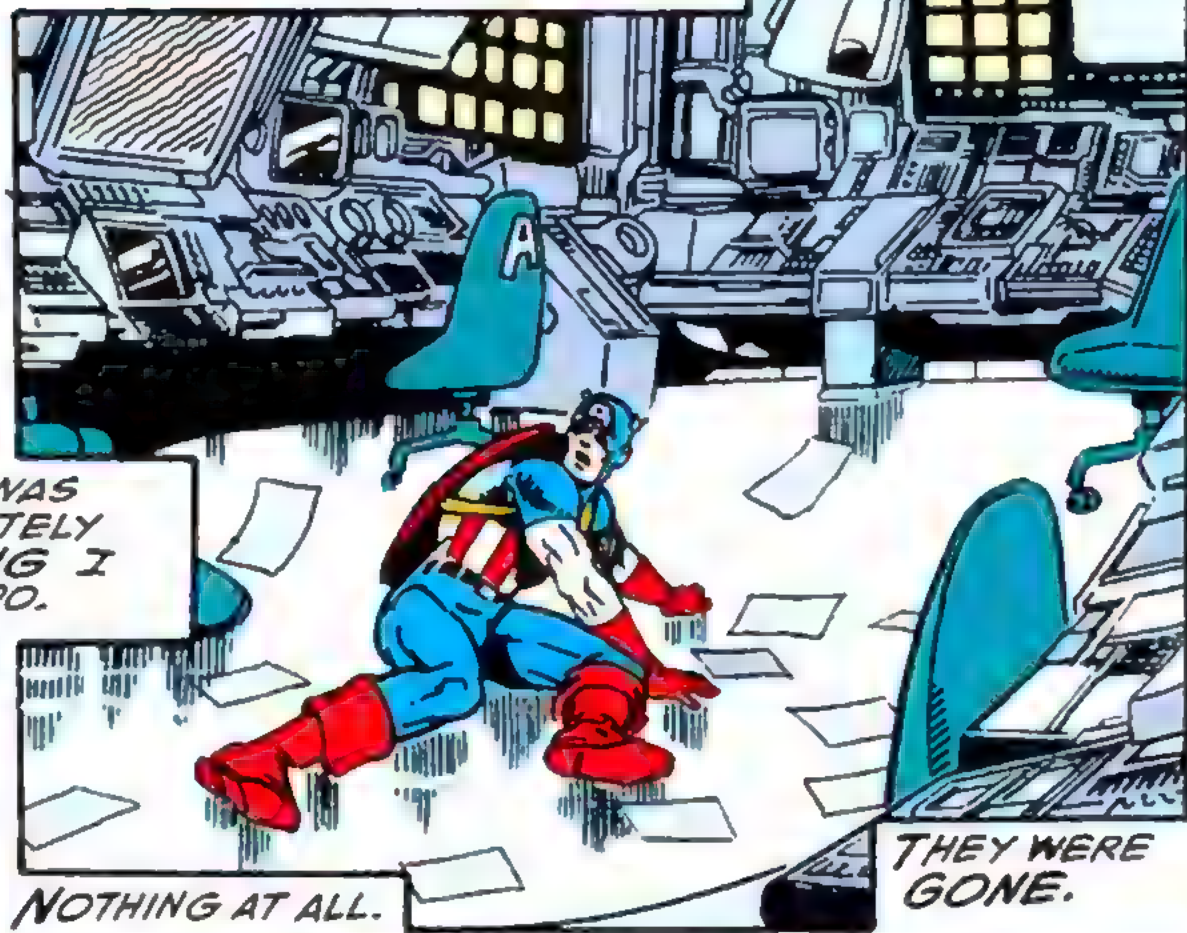




THEY WERE DISAPPEARING!



THERE WAS
ABSOLUTELY
NOTHING I
COULD DO.



NOTHING AT ALL.

THEY WERE
GONE.

I FELT SO
HELPLESS.

AND SCARED.

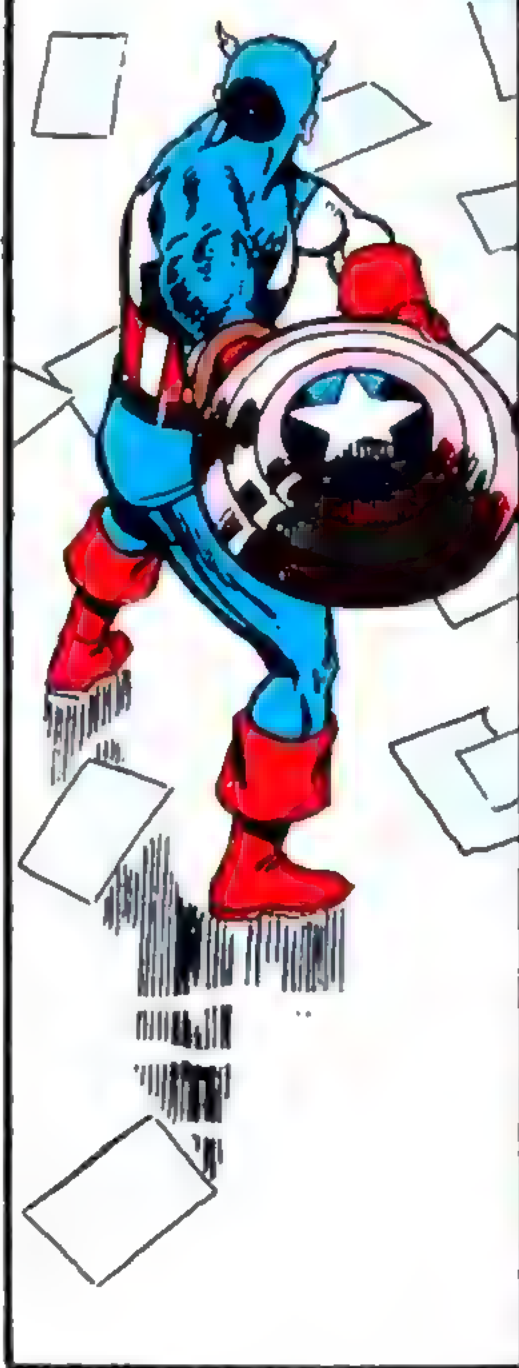
BECAUSE, DEEP
DOWN INSIDE,
I KNEW.



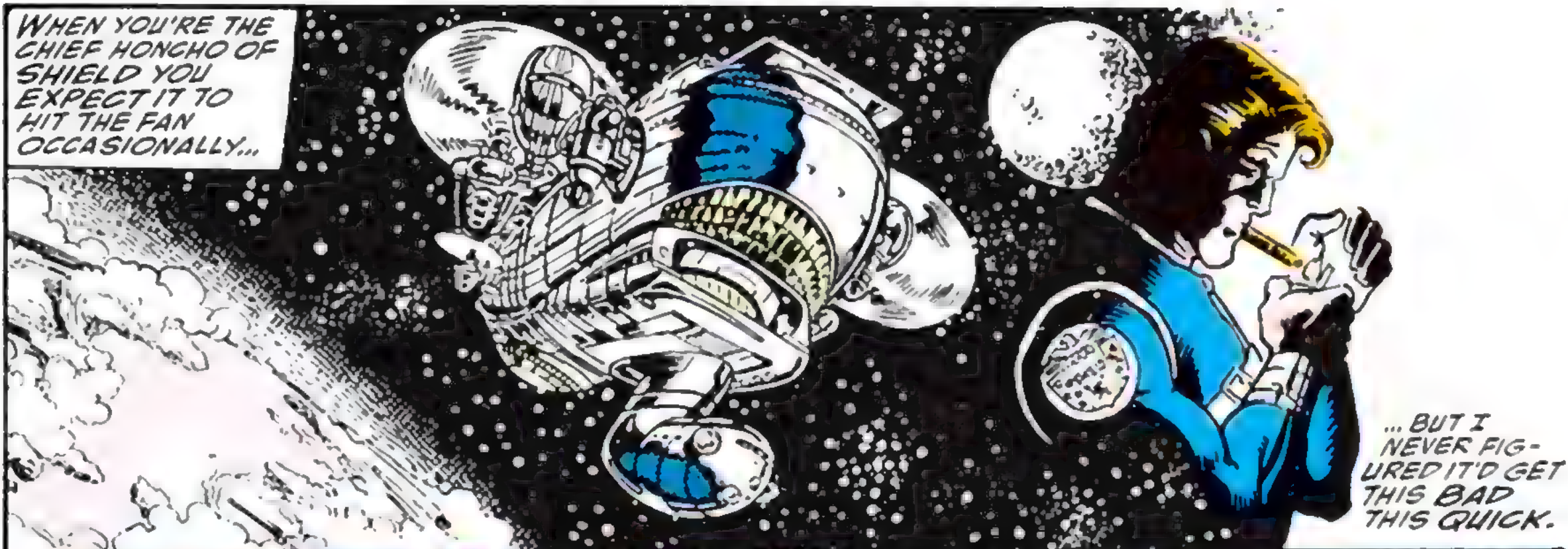
THIS WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING --



--THE BEGINNING OF SOMETHING
THAT WAS DESTINED TO BECOME
MUCH BIGGER AND MORE
HORRIBLE THAN ANYTHING THE
AVENGERS HAD EVER BEFORE
FACED.



WHEN YOU'RE THE
CHIEF HONCHO OF
SHIELD YOU
EXPECT IT TO
HIT THE FAN
OCCASIONALLY...



... BUT I
NEVER FIG-
URED IT'D GET
THIS BAD
THIS QUICK.

NO, MR. PRESIDENT.

WE'RE STILL
TRYING TO FIGURE
OUT WHAT
HAPPENED.

YES, HALF MY CREW
VANISHED ALSO,
SIR.



WE'RE GETTING
REPORTS FROM ALL
OVER THE GLOBE.

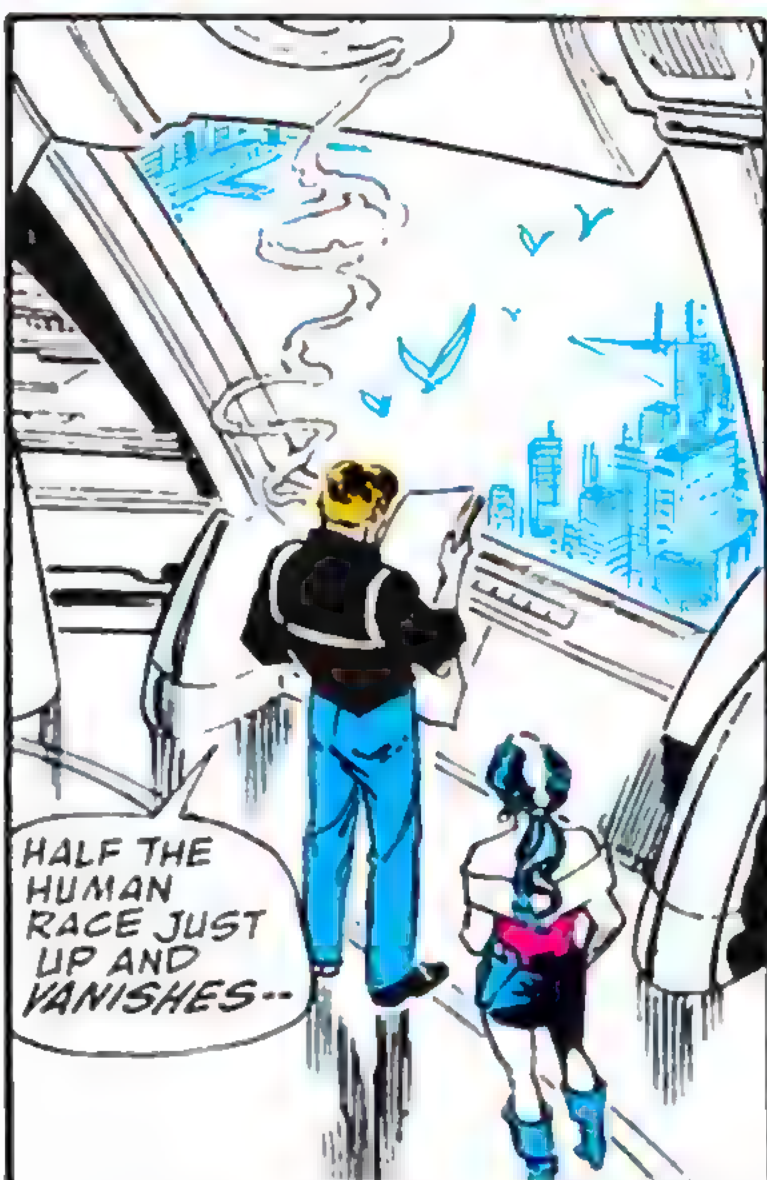
AS SOON AS I
KNOW, SIR, SO
WILL YOU!

GOOD-
BYE.



PSI-SECTION TELEMETRY
SHOWS NOTHING,
NICK.

TERRIFIC.



HALF THE
HUMAN
RACE JUST
UP AND
VANISHES--

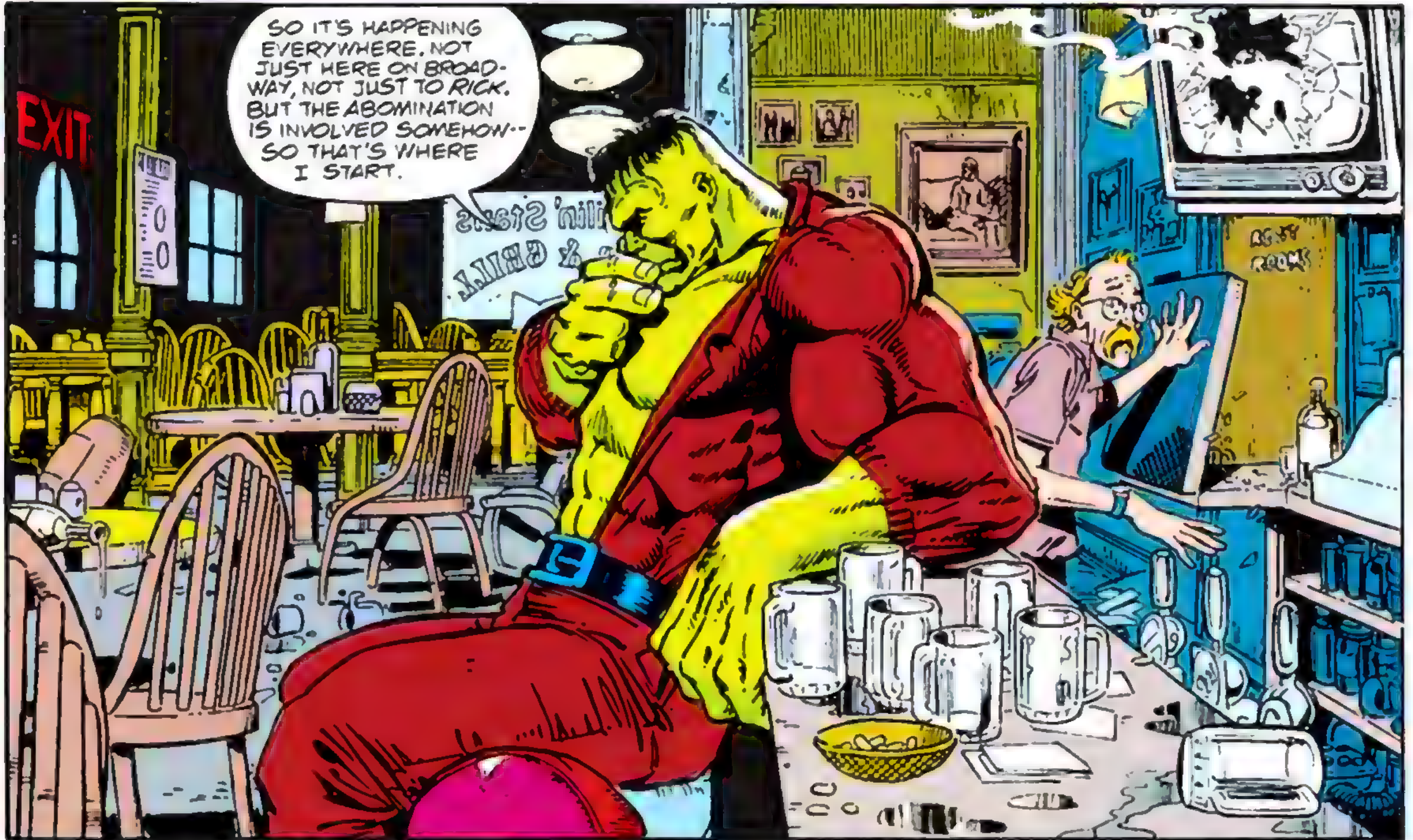
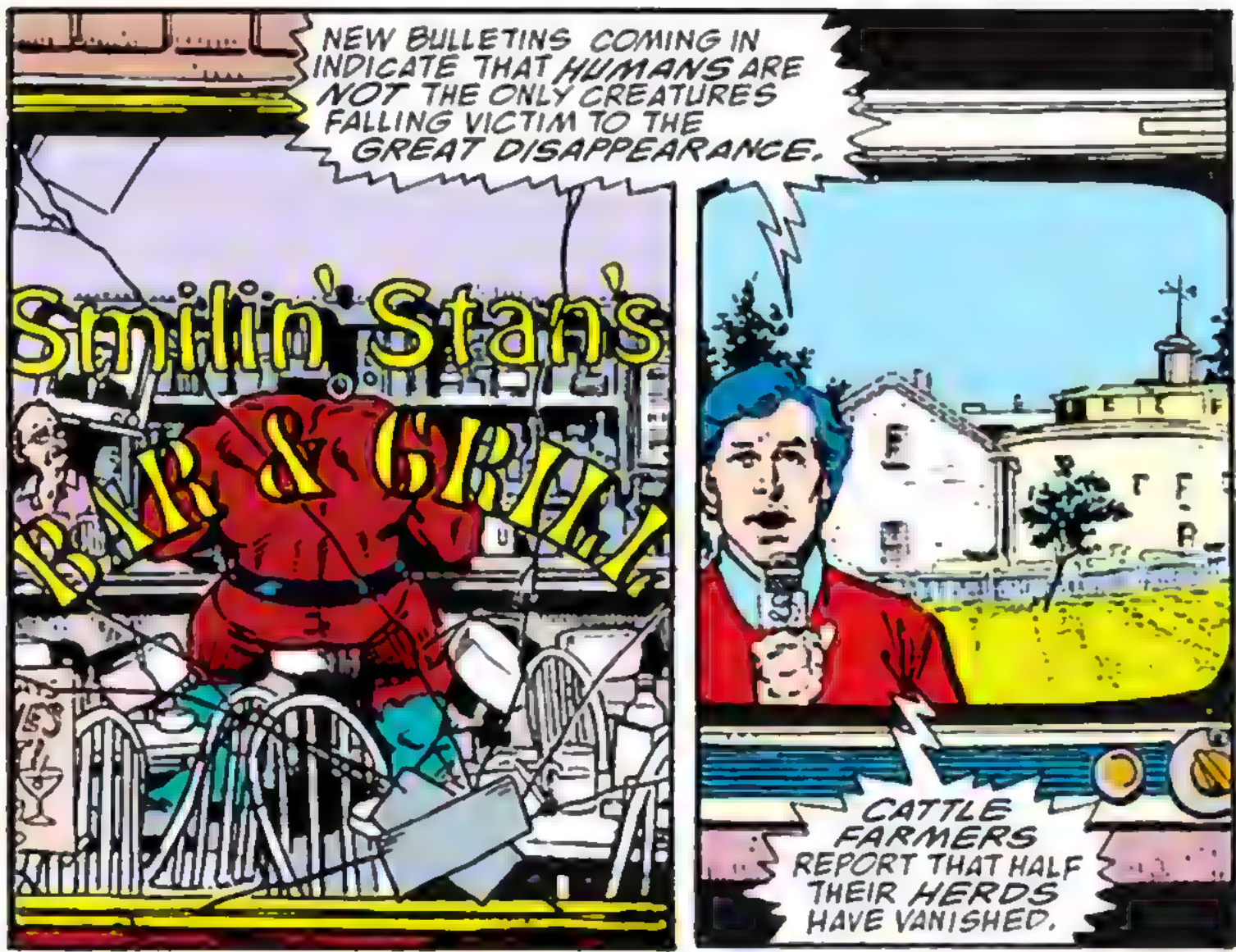


"... AND THE WORLD'S
GREATEST SPY NET-
WORK CAN'T FIGURE
OUT WHAT CAUSED
IT."

I GOT A NASTY
FEELING ABOUT
ALL THIS, VAL.

THIS ONE'S
GOING TO BE
BAD--REAL
BAD.

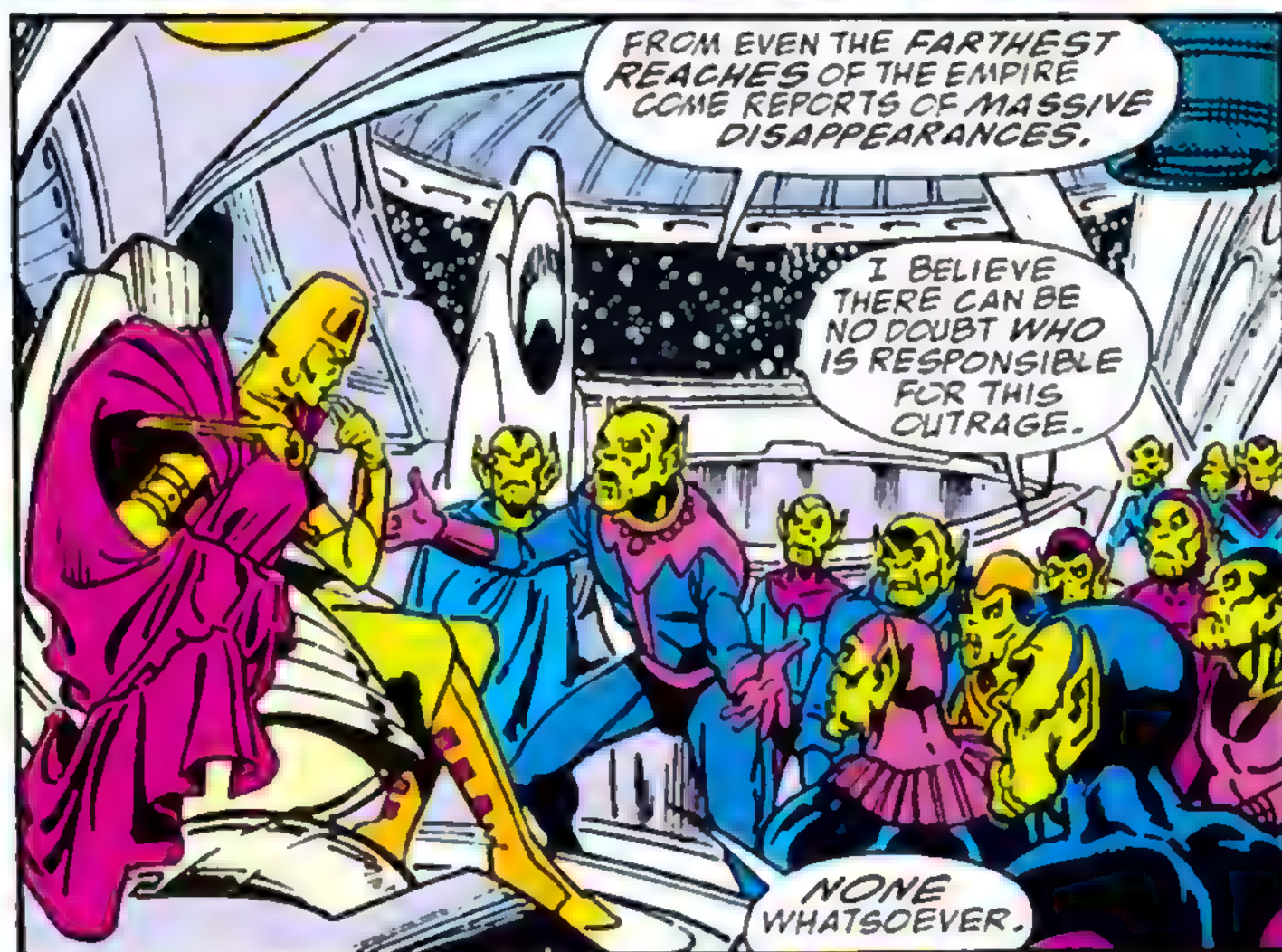






WHEN I BECAME
EMPRESS
S'BYLL OF THE
SKRULL EMPIRE
I NEVER EXPECTED
THE POST TO BE
EASILY HANDLED...

BUT THIS IS
FAR MORE
THAN I EVER
DREAMT I'D
HAVE TO
RECKON WITH.



FROM EVEN THE FARTHEST
REACHES OF THE EMPIRE
COME REPORTS OF MASSIVE
DISAPPEARANCES.

I BELIEVE
THERE CAN BE
NO DOUBT WHO
IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR THIS
OUTRAGE.

NONE
WHATSOEVER.

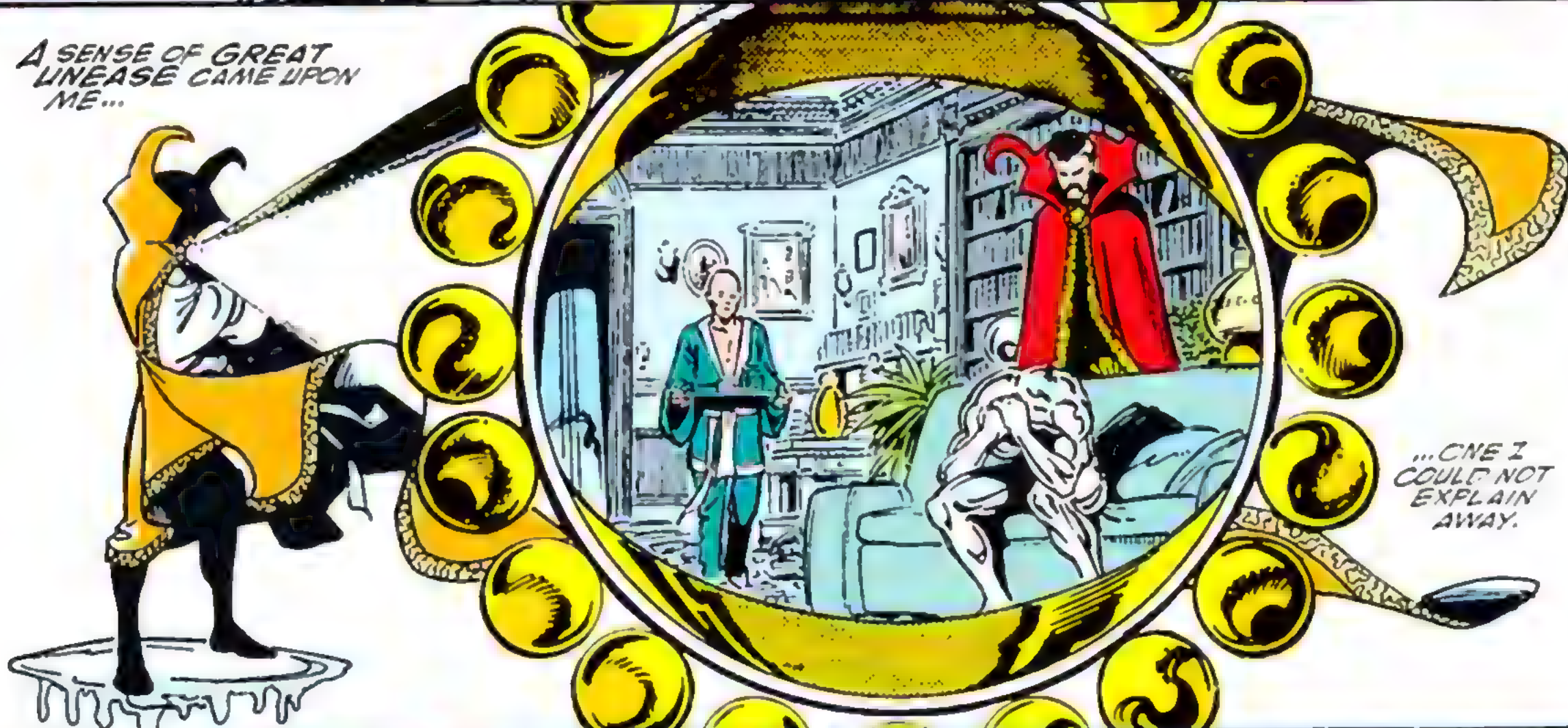


ONLY OUR ANCIENT ENEMY
WOULD DARE SUCH A BLATANT
ACT OF AGGRESSION!

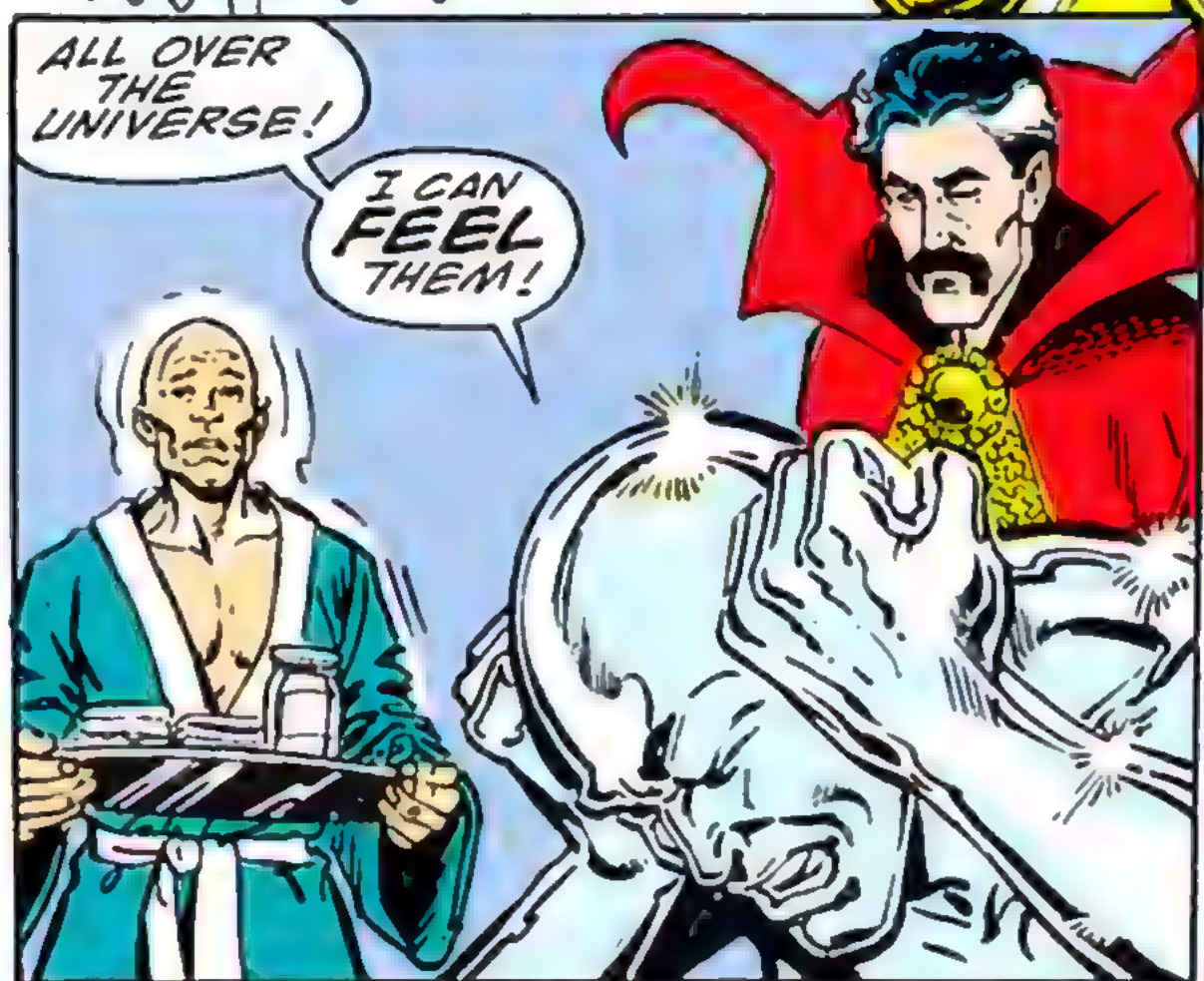
THE KREE
MUST PAY
FOR THIS
VILLAINOUS
DEED WITH
BLOOD!

LET
THERE BE
WAR!!

A SENSE OF GREAT
LINEAGE CAME UPON
ME...

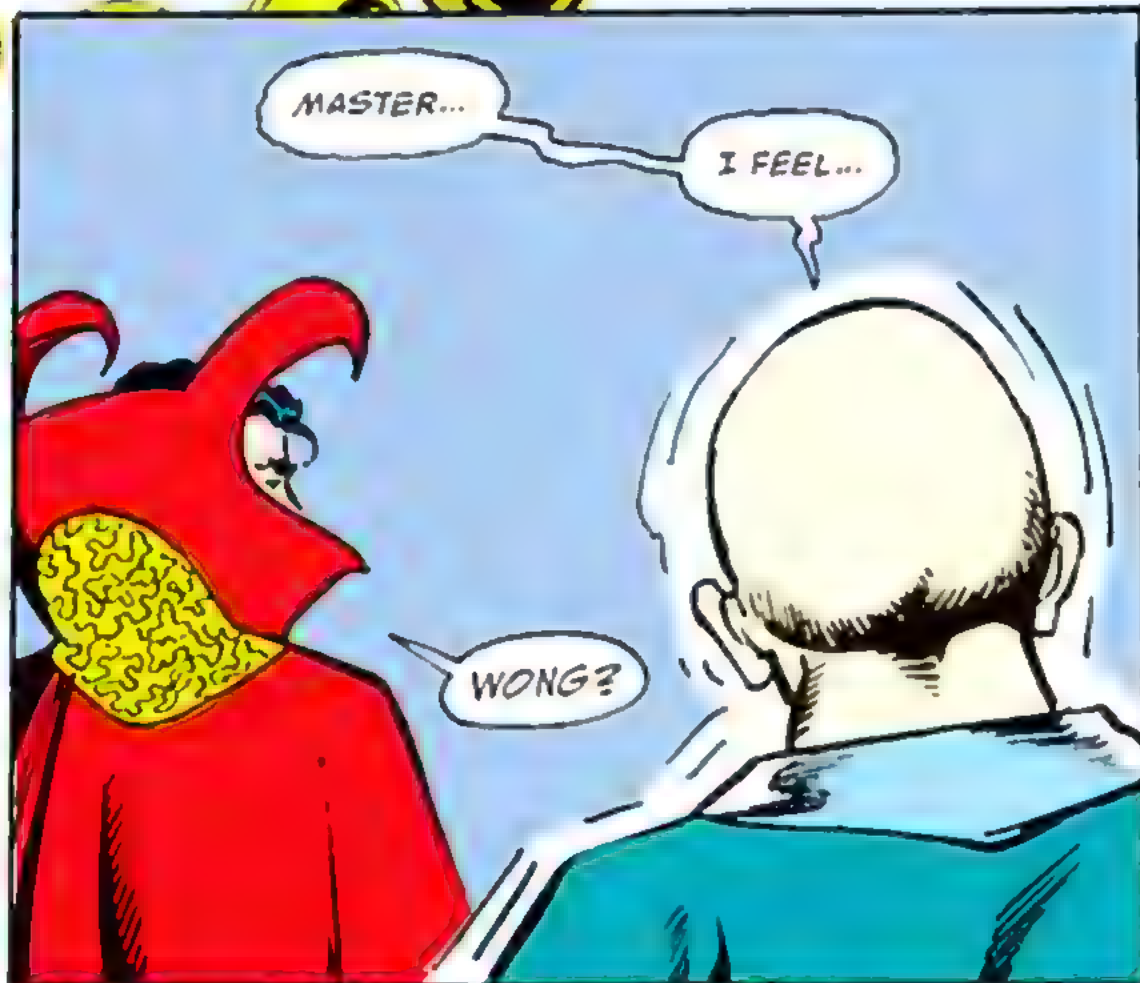


...ONE I
COULD NOT
EXPLAIN
AWAY.



ALL OVER
THE
UNIVERSE!

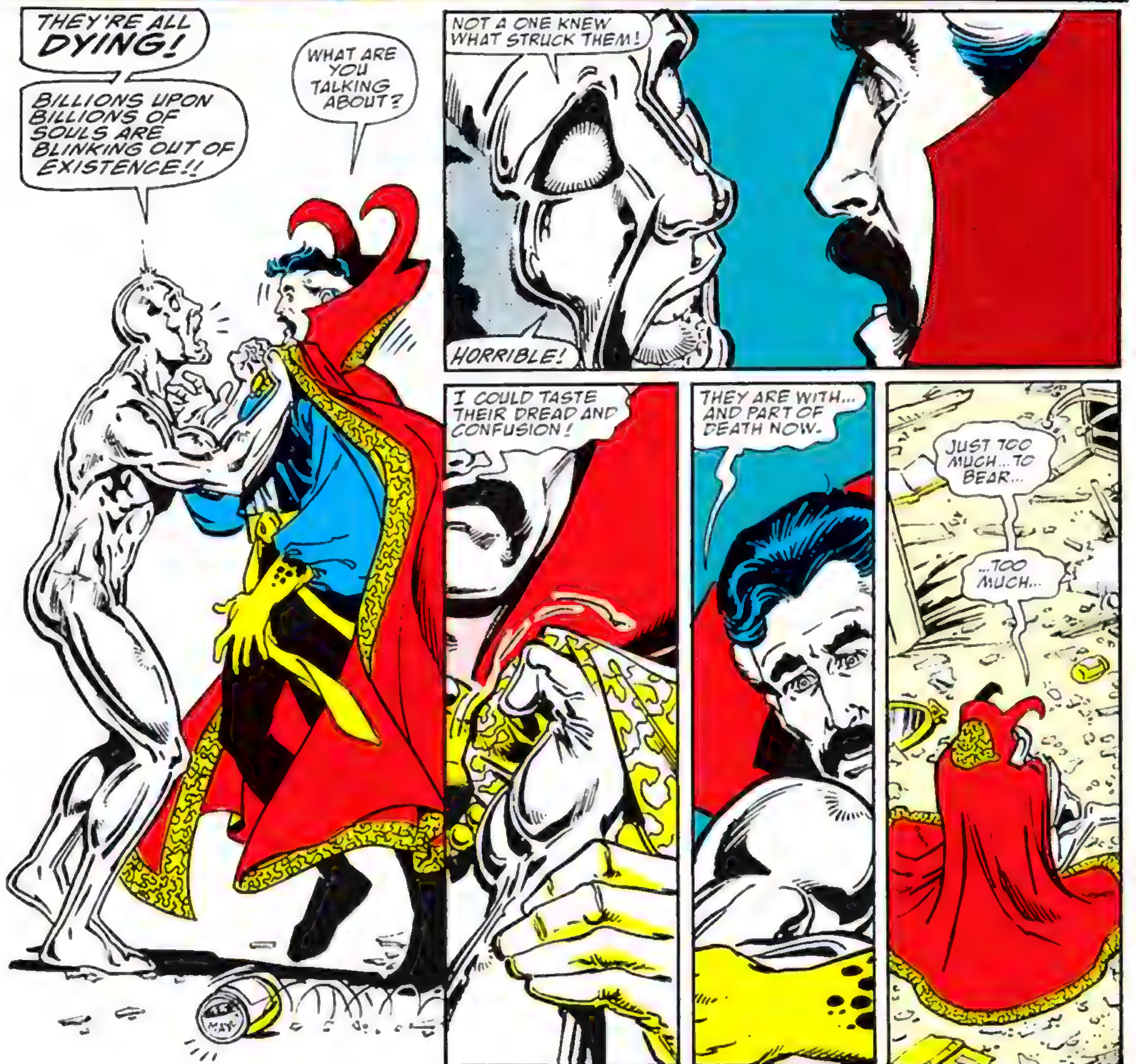
I CAN
FEEL
THEM!



MASTER...

I FEEL...

WONG?



FEW KNOW THAT
LIFE EXISTS ON
SATURN'S MOON
TITAN...

THERE, WITHIN THE
BOWELS OF THE
ARTIFICIAL
SATELLITE, LIVES
A RACE OF DEMI-
GODS IN A PEACEFUL
PARADISE.

IT IS THE
HOME OF
THE
TITANS.

MY HOME.

AND SO, I URGED
MY FRIEND FIRE-
LORD TO RETURN
WITH ME TO TITAN.

DEAR MENTOR, I
FEEL HE WOULD BE OF
GREAT SERVICE
TO US IN ANY FUTURE
STRUGGLE AGAINST
EVIL THANOS.

I AM MOST CERTAIN
HE WOULD, SON
EROS.

I HAVE HEARD
MUCH ABOUT
YOU, FRIEND
FIRELORD, AND
WELCOME YOU--

WHAT?

FATHER?

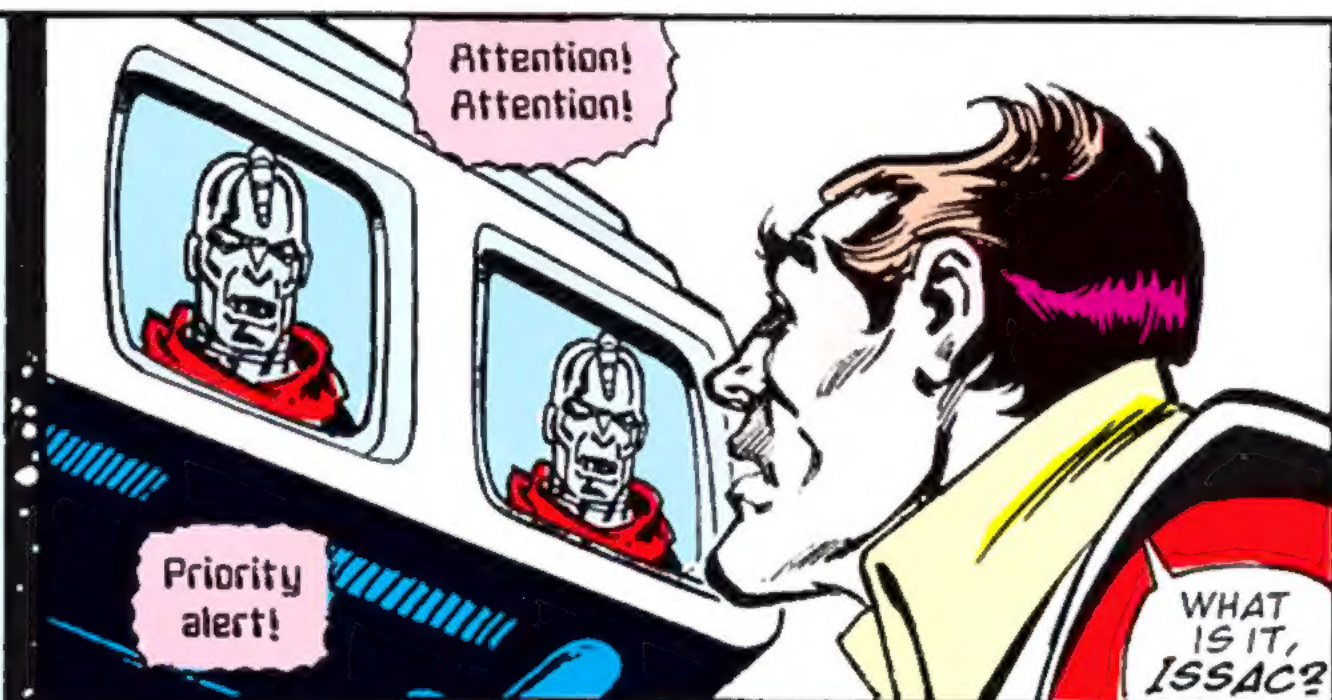
FATHER!



TH--THIS BE NOT... MY DOING... EMERALD ONE...

WHAT FIREHEAD DO TO OLD MAN??

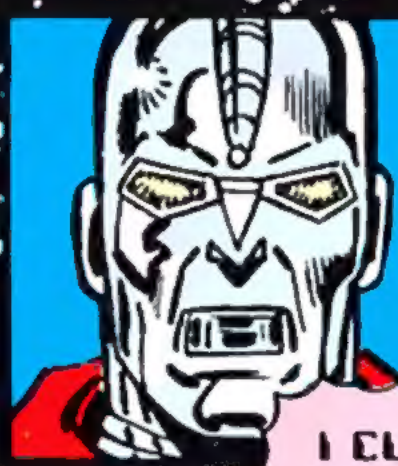
YES, STAY THY HAND, DESTROYER.



Attention! Attention!

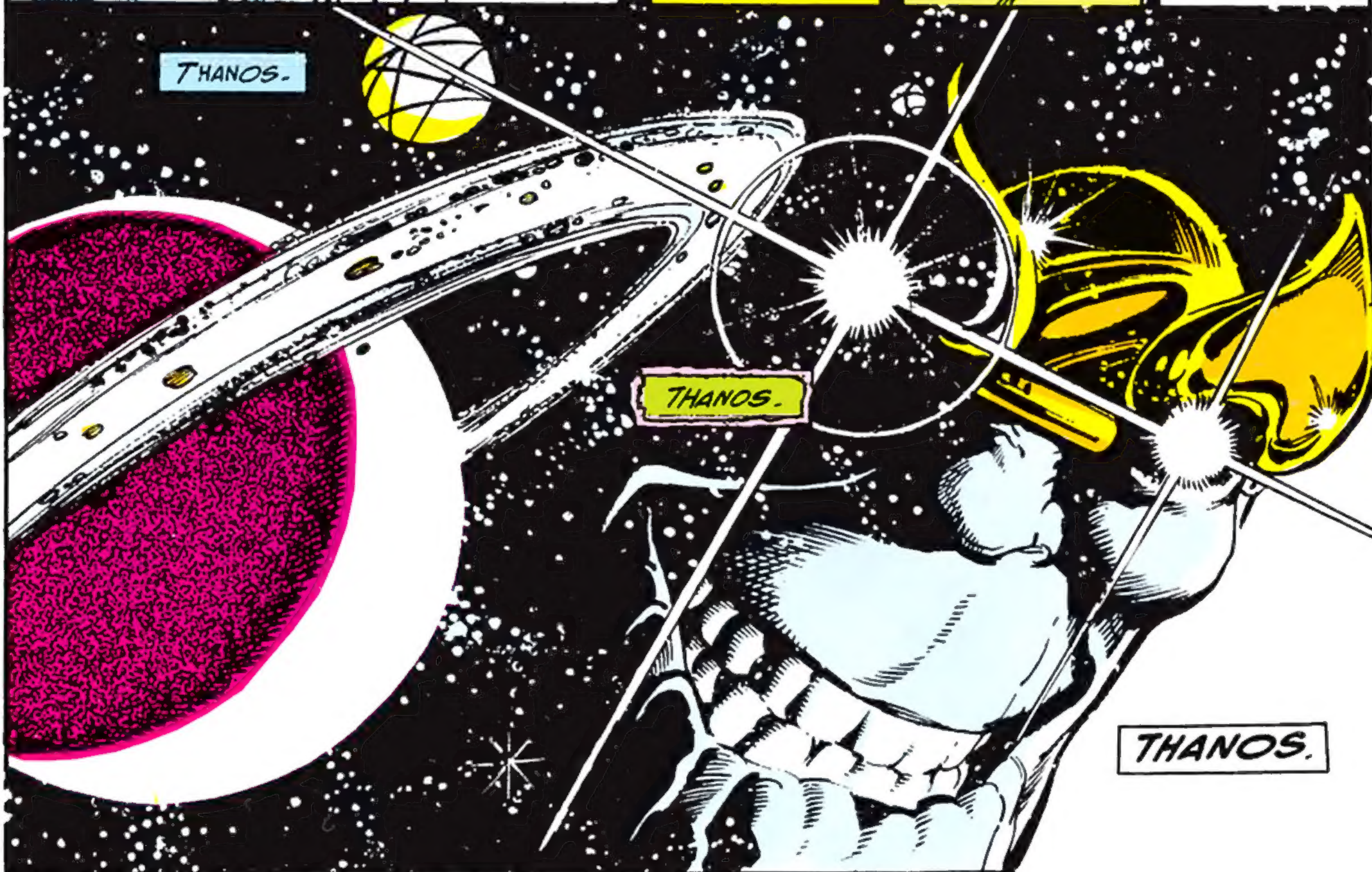
Priority alert!

WHAT IS IT, ISSAC?



REPORTING PLANETWIDE PHENOMENON. HALF OF POPULATION HAS SUDDENLY VANISHED WITHOUT TRACE.

I CURRENTLY HAVE NO EXPLANATION FOR THE OCCURRENCE.



THANOS.

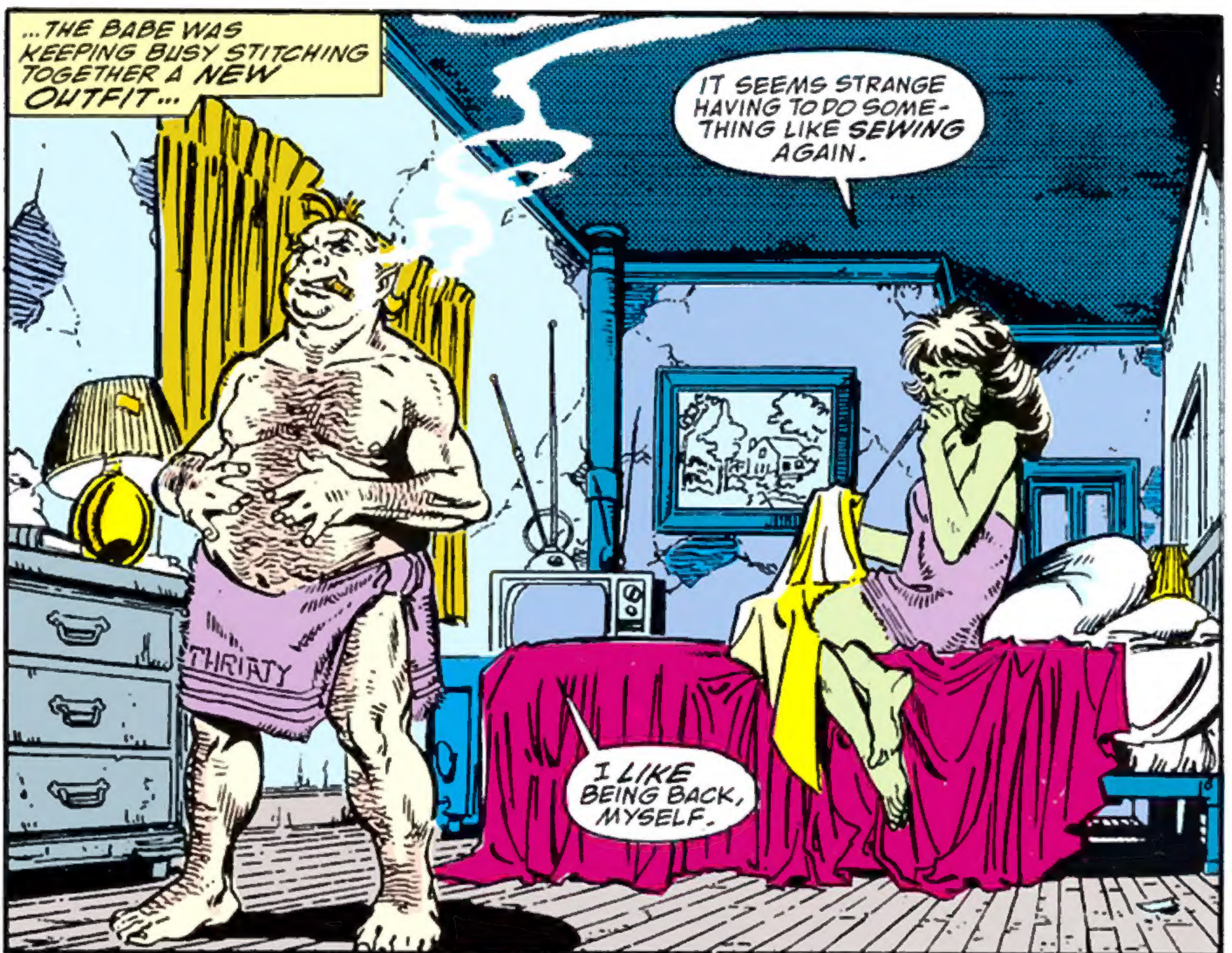
THANOS.

THANOS.



I THINK WE WERE ALL ADJUSTING PRETTY WELL TO OUR NEW BODS...

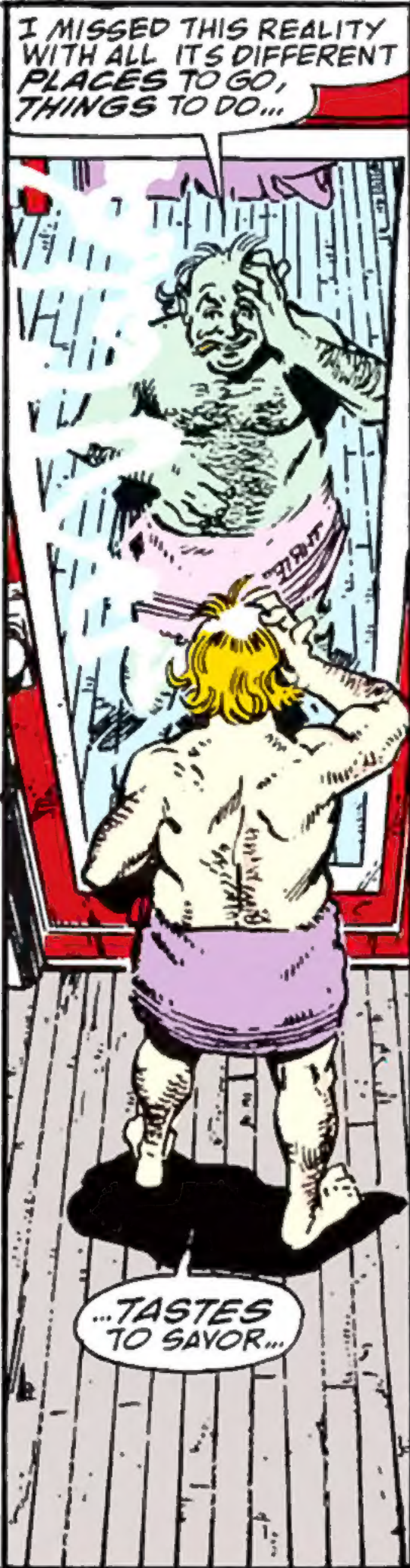
I'D LOST MY BRICKETTE LOOK AND...



...THE BABE WAS KEEPING BUSY STITCHING TOGETHER A NEW OUTFIT...

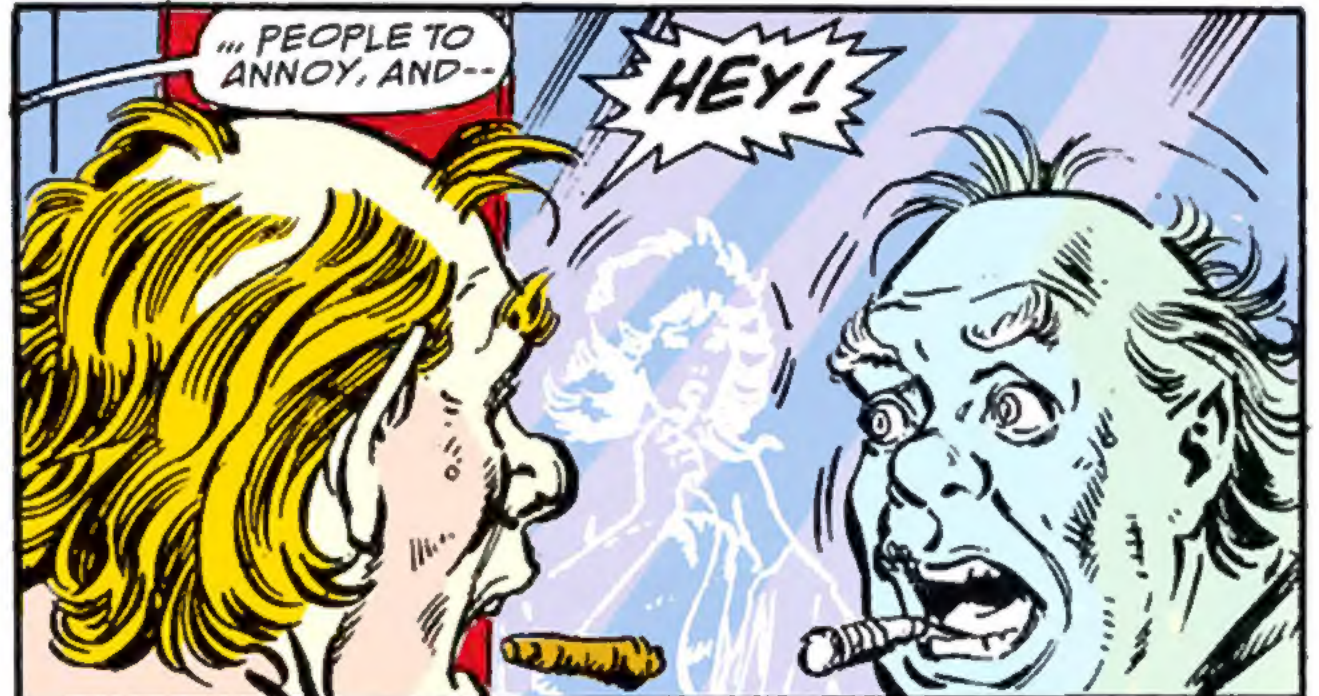
IT SEEMS STRANGE HAVING TO DO SOMETHING LIKE SEWING AGAIN.

I LIKE BEING BACK, MYSELF.



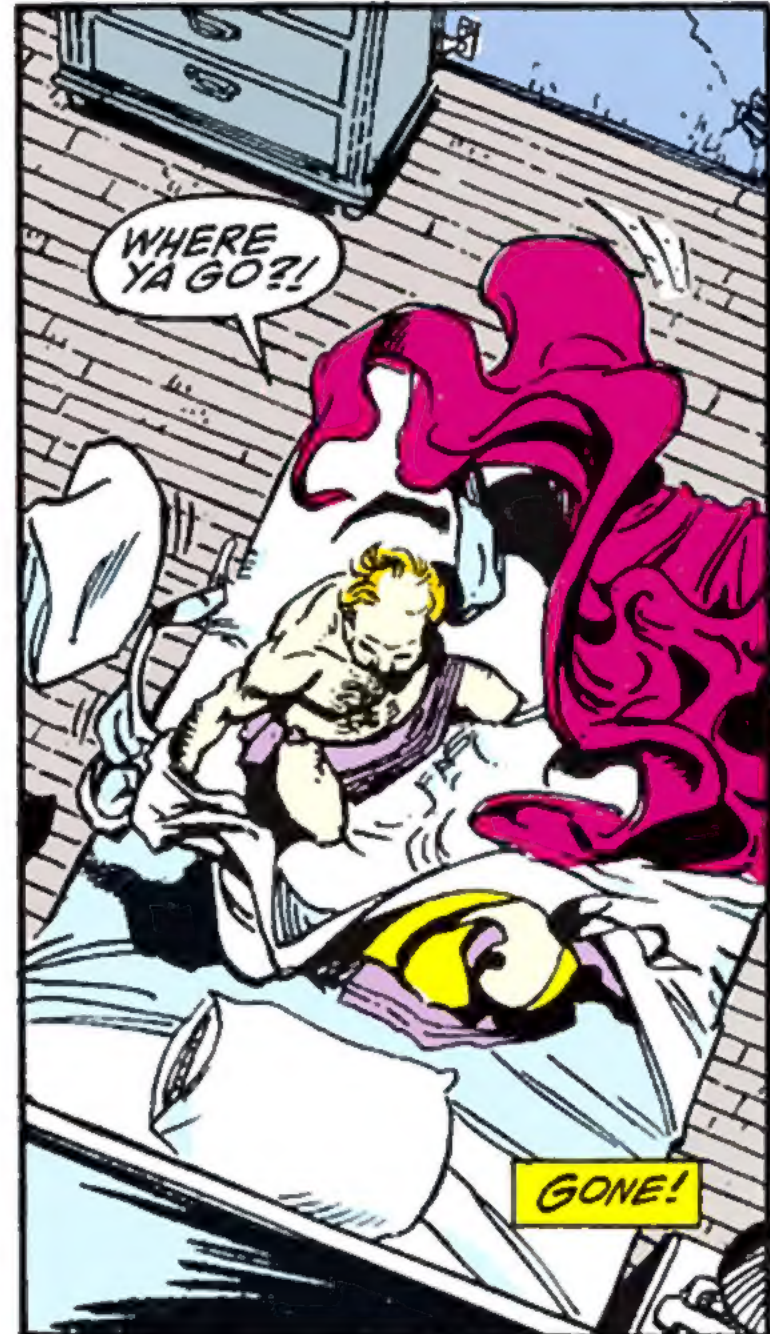
I MISSED THIS REALITY WITH ALL ITS DIFFERENT PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO...

...TASTES TO SAVOR...



...PEOPLE TO ANNOY, AND--

HEY!



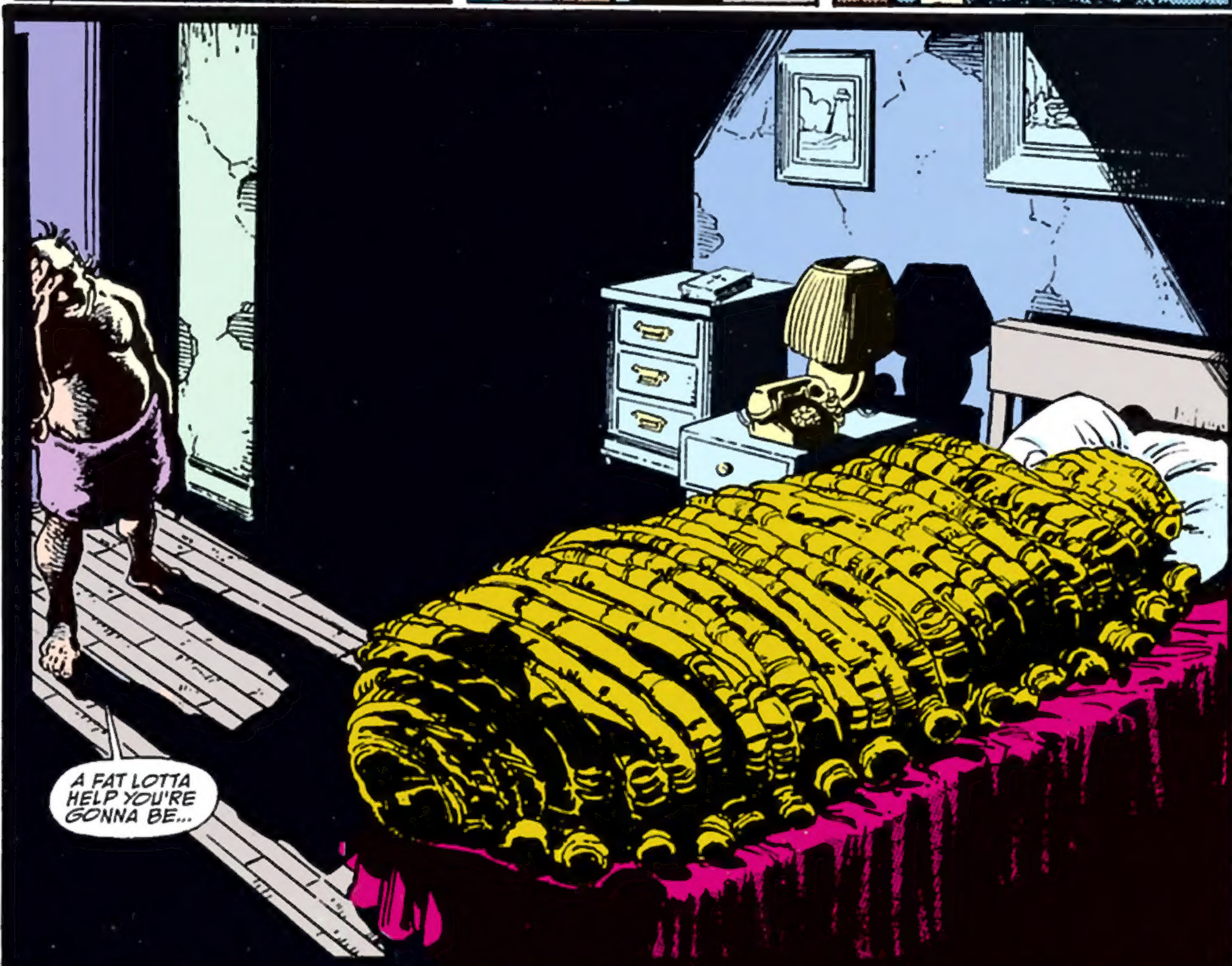
WHERE YA GO?!

GONE!

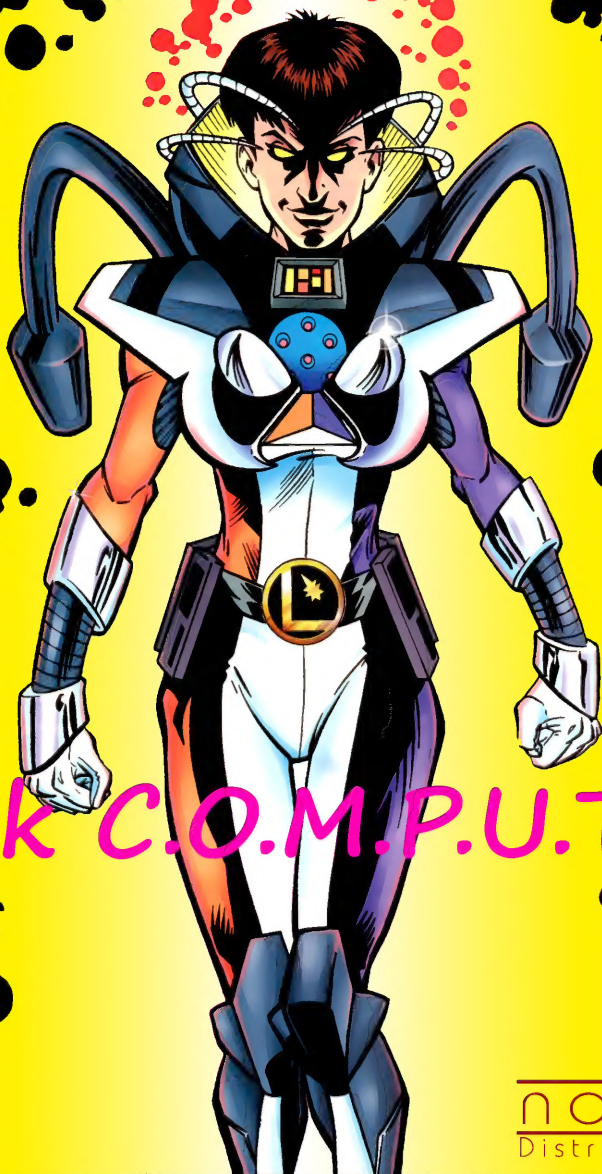


OF COURSE I KEPT MY HEAD STRAIGHT, DIDN'T PANIC.

HELP!



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